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Enemy Patrols Land In Pulau Ubin

WAVELL'S FLYING VISIT TO MOULMEIN FRONT

Tokyo Plan For Simultaneous Blitz On Singapore & Batavia

SINGAPORE, February 8.

Singapore communique issued on Sunday reports enemy air and artillery activity has been considerably increased. There has been shelling on the Northern part of the island

Enemy patrols are reported to have landed on the island of Pulau Ubin this morning. This island is five miles long and one mile wide and lies at the eastern end of Singapore.

General Wavell paid a flying visit to the Moulmein front and expressed reasoned optimism about the situation in the Far East.

A full-scale attack against Java, the centre of Allied resistance in the South Western Pacific area and the Headquarters of General Wavell's command, appears to be the next major item in the Japanese blitzkrieg—possibly at the same time as the attempt to capture Singapore island, says Reuter's correspondent in Batavia.

Yesterday's raid on the world famous island of Bali was practically an offshoot of the attack against Sourabaya, the air field on Bali being within half an hour's flying distance from Sourabaya. Batavia which has hitherto been spared airraids has also been an object of enemy air reconnaissance it is revealed to-day. If and when such an attack against Java is launched, the Japanese will come up against a series of defensive positions stretching in depth at strategic points throughout the island.

I have been privileged to see some of these defence positions, and can categorically state that they are formidable both as regards their thoroughness, their locality, their equipment and the morale of the troops manning them.

The commander of one such position told me "our orders are to hold these positions to the last. You can appreciate what that means. To drive the Japanese back we must continue to fight to our last round and last life until we are all killed. But we are ready and confident. Many of my men come from the Outer Islands of the Netherlands Indies which have already been captured by the Japanese. They have since heard lurid tales of the treatment of their friends and relations. They are not interested in saving their own lives now. They have only one desire—to kill as many Japanese as possible."

Artillery Fire Heralds Dawn On Sunday

SINGAPORE, Feb. 8.

After a quiet night, the rumble of artillery exchanges across the Straits of Johore heralded the dawn on Sunday. The firing is still continuing though not in such a volume as to denote anything but usual counter-battery work. There was no raid last night, but an alert was sounded in the morning, and a formation of 24 enemy planes winged their way across the city. They were given a hot reception as usual by anti-aircraft guns. Apparently no bombs were dropped in the city areas and the "all clear" sounded three-quarters of an hour later.

The Department of Information announced that casualties in Saturday's raid were eight killed and 52 injured.

Casualties In Raid On Sourabaya

BATAVIA, Feb. 8.

Batavia Radio states that 35 persons were killed and 60 wounded in the fourth air-raid on Sourabaya to-day. Nine bombers took part. The main objectives were the port and naval yard.

A 'communique' issued by the headquarters of the Netherlands East Indies forces to-day says, "A number of Japanese bombers attacked Surabaya again. Damage inflicted on the naval establishments was only slight. Some Japanese planes yesterday carried out reconnaissance over Batavia. On an estate in the district of Pengalengan near Bandeng, a group of teapickers were machine-gunned by a low-flying plane. However there were no casualties.

Enemy seaplanes carried out reconnaissance over East Java.

Muntok on the island of Banka has been bombed. Some civilians were killed and six seriously wounded, thirty slightly. Many fires were started, while damage was not insignificant. Palembang has been attacked by six bombers with a strong fighter escort. Some of our planes were lost on the ground. They caught fire as the result of the bombing. During an attack by Japanese fighters on a small place in New Guinea, one civilian was seriously wounded and one slightly wounded as the result of machine-gun fire. There was slight reconnaissance activity over North Samatra.—Reuter.

WAVELL VISITS MOULMEIN

RANGOON, Feb. 8

It can now be revealed that General Wavell recently paid a second brief visit to Burma, during which he went to the Moulmein, Front, where he spoke with officers and men, wires Associated Special Correspondent.

It is understood that General Wavell expressed satisfaction at the position there. Undoubtedly Gen. Wavell's custom of moving about to keep constant personal touch with all parts of his vast command, apart from its value from a purely strategic standpoint, has the most heartening effect on all ranks who are the first to appreciate personal touch.

It is understood that General Wavell expressed "reasoned optimism" regarding the situation in the Far East when discussing it here with staff officers.

Japanese Active In Solomon Islands

CANBERRA, Feb. 8.

An Air 'communique' announces slight Japanese air activity in the Solomon islands, New Guinea. Bombs were dropped in Samarai. No damage is reported.

The official 'communique' on the Darwin air-raid alert says that fighters of the Royal Australian Air Force went up but that no attack developed.

Biggest Night Raid On Rangoon

RANGOON, Feb. 7. (Delayed).

Probably the biggest night raid on the Rangoon area the Japanese have yet staged, took place last night (Friday). This was the fourth successive night raid, says the Associated Press Special Correspondent. Three hours from 3-00 a.m., Japanese bombers came over in continuous waves, almost every quarter of an hour. The city area was attacked, but the main objective as before was the aerodrome north of Rangoon.

It seems evident that the Japanese are making a strenuous effort to destroy the chief centres of Allied air-power in Burma, probably before attempting to advance across the Salween River which will be very vulnerable to heavy attack by our airforce. They are thus making a bid for air supremacy to ensure the safety of their troops and lay open Rangoon to ceaseless attack with weakened defences.—A.P.

Air Raid On Saturday

RANGOON, Feb. 8.

The Japanese last night raided aerodrome area north of Rangoon

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BRITISH COMPLACENCY STANDS

BETWIXT HITLER AND HIS DOOM

ONLY ALL-OUT AID TO RUSSIA WILL KNOCK HIM OUT, DECLARES CRIPPS

URGES INDO-BRITISH SETTLEMENT ON BASIS OF COMPLETE GUARANTEE OF INDEPENDENCE IMMEDIATELY AFTER WAR

Britain Must Give "All Out" Aid

The former British Ambassador in Moscow, Sir Stafford Cripps, bluntly told the British public in a broadcast to-night (Sunday), "I have felt in this country since my return a lack of urgency. I may be wrong, but I feel we are not 'all out' in our effort and determination."

Sir Stafford Cripps put these questions to his listeners: "Can you do more than you are doing to help the common cause? Are your hardships and sacrifices comparable to those of the Soviet citizens who are fighting your battle just as you are fighting their battle? Are we making a hundred per cent effort?"

Any idea that the maximum effort was no longer necessary because of the Russian successes or that we British could leave the Russians to defeat Germany alone was "absolutely false", Sir Stafford Cripps said. The Soviet President, M. Kalinin, had stressed to him the dangers of over-confidence at this turn in the struggle, Sir Stafford continued.

There stood between Hitler "and the certain and not too long delayed defeat" the chance that he might be strong enough to renew his offensive in spring to get the oil of the Caucasus.

The British must send more help to Russia and all must consider a way of using their total resources.

THE CONTRAST

Sir Stafford Cripps spoke of the difference in the fortunes of war as experienced by the British and the Russian people. "I know you worked and are working long hours and your food rations are not as ample as you are accustomed to in times of peace" he said, "but you have not been starved, stripped of your clothing in the bitter cold of the open streets and forced to work day and night as slaves for a foreign enemy, building roads and fortifications to defeat your own countrymen. Those sufferings are going on this very moment, while we sit in comparative safety and comfort. The Russians will tolerate nothing that will decrease the war effort or the efficiency of their fighting forces. Hoarders of food, black-marketeers and others who try to take advantage of the difficult conditions in the country are giving short shrift, in Russia.

RUSSIA WANTS URGENT HELP

Sir Stafford continued: "In April it may become possible for Hitler to launch a fresh attack in South Russia towards the much coveted and much needed oil of the Caucasus. He will probably concentrate all his force in that direction—a new terrific blitz' planned with the meticulous care of the German mind. It is up to us all to see that we play our full part in defeating that offensive. Any idea that the maximum effort is no longer necessary or that we can leave the Russians to defeat Germany alone is absolutely false. The moral of the fighting that is now proceeding is not that we can send less help to Russia but that we must send more. Russian losses are heavy and expenditure of ammunition, planes and tanks is very large, indeed. While we may not be able to help with men, we can and must help with raw materials and foodstuffs. We are out to win this war and win it as quickly as may be. In that determination there must be no reservations because of our personal interests or comforts.

It is a total war and demands our total effort.

Every hour by which we can shorten the war will mean the saving of hundreds of workers and of the suffering of millions. The cry goes up all over the world 'How Long?' Each one of us can give the answer through our unstinted sacrifice. The crisis of Dunkirk produced a great response. The agony of those anxious hours drew forth the best in every man and woman. The pressing urgency of our cause denied all doubts and hesitation. To-day our needs and those of our Russian Allies are as great and as pressing. Victory still hangs in the balance, so long as men and women hesitate to play their full part."—Reuter.

Cripps' Plan For India

BRISTOL, Feb. 8.

The former British Ambassador to Moscow, Sir Stafford Cripps, answering questions after his speech at Bristol to-day (Sunday), said he believed that we should give India a complete guarantee of independence immediately after the war.—(Reuter).

NEED OF LEAD FOR FUTURE

BRISTOL, Feb. 8.

The former British Ambassador in Moscow, Sir Stafford Cripps, speaking at Bristol to-day said if the Allies give Russia all the support they are capable of, then, he thought, there is every chance of Germany being defeated by this time next year.

Referring to Anglo-Soviet relations Sir Stafford Cripps said: "Personally I have always regarded a clear lead as to the future as a vital factor in winning the war. We have agreed not to commit ourselves as to post-war international reconstruction without prior consultation with the United States of America.

We want our American friends to realise that if they want to partake with us in the decisions as to the reconstruction of Europe, it is vital that these decisions should not be too long delayed. Delayed may well add to the suspicions between this country and the Soviet Union—suspicions which have not, because of their historical foundation, completely disappeared."

END COMPLACENCY

Sir Stafford Cripps complained there seemed to be a lack of urgency in the atmosphere of Britain: "It is almost as if we were spectators rather than participants," he said.

Mass Arrests Of Anti-Sales Tax Satyagrahis

ADJOURNMENT MOTION IN PUNJAB ASSEMBLY

Congress President Permits M. L. A.'s To Attend Session

LAHORE, February 8.

According to reports received in the office of the Punjab Beopar Mandal,, 487 traders have so far been arrested in different towns of the Punjab.

The Punjab Congress Parliamentary Party has been permitted by the Congress President to attend the session to-morrow and support the adjournment motion coming up before the House regarding the Sales Tax Act and the commercial deadlock in the Province.

This permission of the Congress President was conveyed to Seth Sudarshan, Chief Whip of the Congress Party, on the telephone by Mr. Asaf Ali, Member of the Congress Working Committee.

It is understood that the Congress Party will participate in the debate on the adjournment motion regarding the Traders' 'hartal' which is expected to be moved in the Punjab Assembly to-morrow.

Sixty-six traders have so far been arrested in connection with the Anti-Sales Tax Campaign.

The District Magistrate has promulgated an order under Sec. 144 Cr. P. C. prohibiting public meetings for a period of month.

That the Punjab Government had removed all legitimate grievances of the traders, which had been brought to his notice, was claimed by Sir Sikander Hyat Khan in the course of a speech this evening. The audience included a large number of Muslim traders.

Sir Sikandar after explaining at length his recent statement held out the assurance that any representation submitted by any section of dealers in connection with the Sales Tax would receive his sympathetic consideration.

The Premier revealed that at the last interview given by him to the leaders of the traders it was suggested by representatives of the piecegoods dealers of Amritsar that the Sales Tax should be levied at the retail stage only, thereby exempting the wholesalers. This suggestion he added, was neither in the interests of the small traders nor of the consumers and was, therefore, not acceptable to him.

Referring to his recent visit to Indian troops Sir Sikandar Hyat Khan said that he was happy to find that they were quite cheerful.—A. P. & U. P.

Anti-Tax Campaign Sequel

LAHORE, February 7.

The Anti-sales Tax Campaign took a new turn today when the first batch of 101 Satyagrahis led by Lala Bihari-lal Chanana, President of the Punjab Beopar Mandal, courted arrest by marching in a procession in defiance of the Defence of India Act. The procession which started from the office of the Punjab Beopar Mandal in Dhaniram Street was stopped by a large police force headed by Mr. K. H. Henderson, District Magistrate and Mr. Mauger, Senior Superintendent of Police when it had proceeded a short distance in Anarkali. All the Satyagrahis are expected to be removed to the Lahore Central Jail.

A huge enthusiastic crowd followed the Satyagrahis shouting anti-sales tax slogans. Before his arrest Mr. Chanana addressed the crowd exhorting them to remain peaceful and disperse quietly.

Another 'Jatha' led by Maulana Akhtar Ali Khan, Proprietor of the 'Daily Zamindar' will court arrest tomorrow.

The city is perfectly calm.

96 ARRESTED

According to the police the total number of traders arrested in Lahore this evening is 96.

Enquiries made at the office of the Beopar Mandal show that five Satyagrahis have returned to the office as the police had thrown a cordon to stop the crowd before they could pass along with other Satyagrahis.

SECTION 144 CR. P. C.

The District Magistrate of Lahore has issued the following order under Section 144 Cr. P.C.: prohibiting for a period of one month, any gathering or assembly of five or more persons in any street, lane or public places of any kind whatsoever within the Municipal limits of Lahore, the object of which is to protest against the Punjab Sales Tax.—A. P.

118 Arrests In Lahore

LAHORE, Feb. 8.

A hundred and eighteen traders courted arrest in Lahore this afternoon in connection with the General Sales Tax Satyagraha.

One batch of 103 Satyagrahis led by Maulana Akhtar Ali Khan, Proprietor of "Zamindar", a vernacular daily of Lahore, marched in a procession from the office of the Punjab Beopar Mandal raising Anti-Sales Tax slogans. When the procession was passing through Anarkali Street, a police force stopped the Satyagrahis and marched them off to the Anarkali Police Station. A huge crowd witnessed the arrests. Nothing untoward, however, happened and the crowd quietly dispersed.

Another batch of 15 traders was arrested in Krishannagar, a suburb of Lahore.

The number of arrests in Lahore has risen to 214.—A.P.

Satyagrahis March Again

AMRITSAR, Feb. 8.

140 Satyagrahis again marched in a procession to-day in connection with the Anti-Sales Tax campaign. The authorities did not interfere.—A.P.

22 ARRESTS IN MULTAN

MULTAN CITY, Feb. 7.

Twenty-two traders including the President of the Beopar Mandal, Multan, were arrested under the Defence of India Rules when they were marching through bazaars shouting anti-Sales Tax slogans.—A.P.

Arrests At Moga

LAHORE, Feb. 8.

Reports from Moga indicate that fifty-two traders were arrested for offering Satyagraha by leading a procession and shouting anti-Sales Tax slogans.

An order under Section 144 Cr. P.C. has been promulgated and the processionists were asked to disperse by the police. Fifty-two offered for arrest, while the rest dispersed.—United Press.

'AMERY ALMOST CERTAIN TO GO'

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Feb. 8.

"Behind the scenes, a big political storm is blowing up over India," writes the "Reynolds News" to-day.

The paper says: "Mr. L. S. Amery, the Secretary of State for India, is almost certain to go. The Labour Ministers are concerned at the situation, and they may be compelled to force the matter to an issue."

SEND ENVOY TO INDIA

"Economist" On Lords Debate Appeal To Churchill

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Discussing Lord's debate to-day's "Economist" says: It is hard to see why more could not be done in the directions suggested in the Lords, namely, personal appeal to the Premier for sending out a negotiator of eminence and understanding to bridge the unhappy gap between Britain and Indians and promotion of even a more Indianised Executive Council still nearer to status of a Provisional Government."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.

The Navy Department announced that the entire crew of thirty-seven, the survivors of the tanker "China Arrow" which was torpedoed on Friday, have been landed on the Atlantic Coast.

TO INTERVIEW SARAT BOSE

Two Bengal Ministers To Visit Trichy Jail

CALCUTTA, Feb. 8.

With special permission from the Government of India, the Hon. Nawab Bahadur of Dacca, Minister for Agriculture and Industries, and the Hon. Mr. Santosh Kumar Basu, Minister for Public Health and Local Self-Government, Bengal, left this afternoon for Madras, 'en route' to Trichinopoly, to interview Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose at the Trichinopoly Central Jail.

They will specially enquire about Mr. Bose's health as also about the amenities he is at present enjoying at the jail, with a view to recommending to the Central Government necessary improvement on the matter.

The Ministers are accompanied by Dr. B. Mukherjee, Director of Public Health, Bengal.—A. P.

"C. R." To Open Workshop Of Handspinning Implements

TIRUPPUR, Feb. 8.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar, who arrives here from Madras on the morning of Sunday February 15, will perform the opening ceremony at 8-30 a. m., of the workshop established at Gandhinagar for the manufacture of handspinning implements. The workshop will be named after Mr. Shankarlal Banker, former Secretary of the A. I. S. A. Mr. Rajagopalachariar will address a public meeting at 6 p. m., and will return to Madras the same night. —A.P.

CALCUTTA.—It is understood that the All India Committee of the Hindu Mahasabha will meet in Lucknow on February 28.

STOP PRESS

JOINT COMMAND WELCOMED

WELLINGTON, Feb. 8.

Commenting on the announcement of combined naval forces of the Australian, New Zealand areas being established under a single command, the Prime Minister said this arrangement, especially the appointment of an American Admiral, will be much appreciated by the New Zealanders and welcomed by Government as evidence of co-operation among the nations engaged against Japan in their determination to do their utmost to throw back the aggressors.

BR. GIFT TO CHINA

LONDON:— The British Admiralty has presented to the Chinese Government three river gunboats Falcon, Gannet and Sandpiper, which were left in China at the outbreak of the war with Japan.

JAP. THRUST REPULSED

WASHINGTON: The War Department states that an enemy infiltration thrust at Bataan, Philippines, was repulsed by a sharp counter-attack.

U. S. ASSURANCE TO EIRE

WASHINGTON:—It is understood from a most reliable source that when the Eire Minister, Mr. Robert Brennan recently saw the Under Secretary, Mr. Sumner Welles and handed him a copy of Mr. de Valera's week-old speech protesting against the landing of American troops in Northern Ireland, Mr. Brennan was given an assurance that the United States had no intention of interfering with Irish neutrality.—Reuter.

BOTH ACCUSED TO HANG

Robbery And Murder In Running Train

NASIK, Feb. 7.

Mr. C. C. Hulkoti, Sessions Judge Nasik, to-day sentenced to be hanged Donald Arthur McGragor, 25 Artificer Ordnance Depot, Deolali, and Sardar Mahomed Fagaluddin, 19 Motor Mechanic, Army Workshop, Deolali and formerly of Sialkot. Both the accused pleaded not guilty. The assessors held them guilty and the Judge agreeing sentenced both to be hanged.

On charge of robbery, the Judge awarded two years' R.I. to McGragor while Sardar Mohmed, on his own confession of using a deadly weapon, was given seven years' rigorous imprisonment.

The accused were charged with robbery and murder of Captain S. S. Apte, Medical Recruiting Officer employed by the Army Department with Headquarters at Poona, in a running train near Deolali.

MADAME PETAIN FOR SPAIN

VICHY, Feb. 8.

"There has never been any question of Marshal Petain's paying a visit to Spain nor of a possible meeting with Gen. Franco," it is stated in well-informed circles in Vichy to-day. It is Madame Petain, it is explained, who has announced her intention of leaving to-morrow evening for a strictly private visit to Spain. She will be accompanied by Mr. Georges Dumoulin de la Barthete, Chief of Marshal Petain's Civil Administration Staff.—Reuter.

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NOTICE TO JURYMEN.

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M. R. A. BAIG,
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Bombay, 7th February, 1942.
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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER.
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THE AHMEDABAD-PRANTEJ RAILWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

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1. To adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts made up to 31st December, 1941.
2. To declare a Dividend.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Interim Dividends on the 6 1/4% Preference and Ordinary Shares of the Company will be paid at the Registered Office of the Company on and from MONDAY, the 9th March, 1942, to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register as on Thursday, the 5th March, 1942, in accordance with the resolution passed by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on Friday, the 6th February, 1942:

(i) On 6 1/4% Preference Shares at Rs. 1-11-9 per share (less Income-tax) upto 28th February 1942.
(These shares rank for dividend from 21st November 1941).
(ii) On Ordinary shares at Rs. 20/- per share (free of tax).

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED as from FRIDAY, the 20th February, 1942 to THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1942, (both days inclusive).

Dated this 6th day of February, 1942.

By Order of the Board,
The Hindustan Construction Co. Ltd.
B. D. SARDESAI,
Secretary,
Construction House, Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Fort, Bombay.
(7302)

Legal Notices

SUMMONS FOR SETTLEMENT OF ISSUES

Suit No. 67/53 of 1941.

IN THE COURT OF S. W. SHIVESHWAR-KAR ESQR., THE TEMPORARY CIVIL AND SESSIONS JUDGE, LUCKNOW.

GULAB DIN ALIAS MALMATHI, son of Lala Bhusai Shah, Baqqal resident of Mohalla Bazaar Fatehganj, Lucknow. ..... Plaintiff
versus
ABDUL KARIM AND others ..... Defendants

To

Ahmad, son of Abdul Karim caste Sheikh, resident of Nala Fatehganj, Lucknow at present servant in Pachakki Masala, Bombay Chaoni, Bombay.

WHEREAS the plaintiff instituted a suit against you for Rs. 4,300/- you are hereby summoned to appear in this Court in person, or by a pleader, duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit, or who shall be accompanied by some person able to answer all such questions, on the 18th (Eighteenth) day of February, 1942, at 10 (Ten) o'clock in the forenoon, to answer the claim; and you are directed to produce on that day all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your defence.

NOTE 1.—If written statements are required, say,—You are (or such a rule is, as the case may be) required to put in a written statement by the sixteenth day of February, 1942.

Take notice that, in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this 14th day of January, 1942.

By Order,
Judge.
BADRI PRASAD SRIVASTAVA.
(7307)

Legal Notices

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

INSOLVENCY NO. 24 OF 1942

Re: HASSANALLI MAHOMEDALLI BADANI, Muslim Inhabitant, residing at Mandvi, Bombay ..... A Debtor.
Ex parte: HIMATMAL JASRAJ ..... Petitioning Creditor.

On the 5th day of February, 1942, an order was made by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in its Insolvency Jurisdiction adjudging the abovenamed Debtor an Insolvent.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1942.

S. S. RANGNEKAR,
Insolvency Registrar.
(7305)

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Terms:—25 p.c. deposit.

AUCTION SALE OF CINEMA PROJECTOR AND ITS ACCESSORIES.

Under instructions from the Court Receiver H. C. in Suit No: 1200 of 1941 (Ratilal v/s Prof. Eknath Murti) Messrs. BENNETT & CO. will sell by Public Auction on SATURDAY, the 14th February, 1942, at 2 P.M. (S.T.) at their Rooms at 120, Apollo Street, Fort, the undermentioned.

1. Cinema Projector (Cinemeccanica Milano) with its accessories.

Terms—Cash.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY AT ELPHINSTONE ROAD, PAREL. ALSO MOTOR LORRY, BULLOCKS, CART & PUMP.

Under instructions from Messrs. Little & Co., Attorneys for Bai Aishabai, daughter of Beg Mohomed Haji Abdul Rehman, the Mortgagee, and on account and at the risk of Goolam Rasool Haji Esmail Haji Eshak Chand and others Heirs and next-of-kin of Haji Esmail Haji Eshak Chand the Mortgagor, and pursuant to the power of sale contained in the Indentures of Mortgage, Transfer of Mortgage and further charges described in the conditions of sale, Messrs. BENNETT & CO. will sell by public auction on TUESDAY the 17th February, 1942, at 4 P.M. (S.T.) the undermentioned property Lot. No. 1 and Lot No. 2 in separate lots at the premises.

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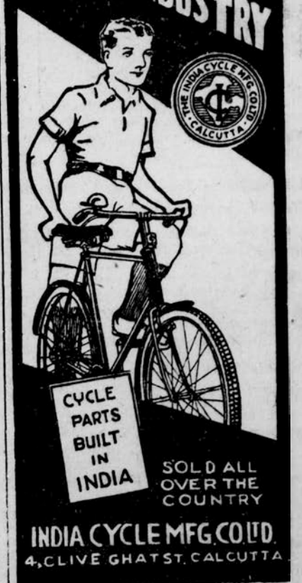

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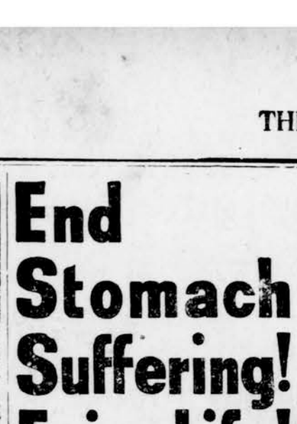
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City And Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS To-day

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Sunrise: 7-12 a.m. Sunset: 6-34 p.m
Nightide: 5-06, 18-39, Lowtide: 11-48

TUESDAY (FEB. 10.)

Improvements Committee meets in Corporation Hall, 3-30 p.m. (B. T.)

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

ROXY—"Jhoola" 3, 6-30 and 9-45 p.m.
METRO—"When Ladies Meet" 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Chandan" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Second Chorus" 4, 6-30 & 9-30
REGAL—"It Started with Eve" 4, 6-30 & 9-30 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Night of January 16th" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NEW WEST-END—"Doctor" 4, 7 and 9-45
OPERA HOUSE—"Beti" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Bharat Milap" 2-45, 5-45 & 9
MINERVA—"Sikandar" 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Kanazanchi" 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
BROADWAY—"India To-day" 4-15 7 and 10
KOHINOOR—"Payachi Dasi" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Garib" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
EDWARD—"Devdas" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Adam Had 4 Sons" 4, 6-30 & 10
NOVELTY—All-Star Non-Stop Variety, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Raja Rani" 4 6-45 and 9-30
IMPERIAL—"Gharki Laj" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

Dr. Chhabildas T. Master father of Chunilal and Ramanlal and brother of Mr. Nagindas Tribhovandas Master, died on Sunday morning; Uthamna Ceremony will be at Anand Bhuwan, (Kanji Cursondas' Bungalow) Ghodbunder Road, Santa Cruz to-day (Monday) at 5-30 p. m. (S. T.).

NOTICE TO JURYMEN

"Common Jurors' attention is drawn to the notice appearing in the Public Notifications Column."

FORT STUDENTS' UNION: The new Executive Committee of the Fort Students' Union will meet to-day (Monday) at 5-30 p.m. at the office of the Union at 71, Bazargate Street, Mr. S. A. Brelvi will preside.

CHILD ART EXHIBITION: The exhibition will remain open till 13th February from 9 a.m. to 6-30 p.m. There will be "Exhibition Tour" today (Monday) and Wednesday between 3 and 5 p.m. when Mr. Pulinbihari Dutt will explain the development of Child Art and what "Child Art" should be to the Art Teachers and those who are interested in "Child Art."

CONGRESS ELECTION WORKERS MEETING: A meeting of the workers working for the Congress Candidate, Sjt. Nagindar T. Master, in the Municipal by-election in Girgaum Chappatty Constituency will be held at Congress House, to-day (Monday) at 7 p.m. (S. T.), when the final instructions regarding the arrangements of the election day will be given.

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION: Mr. A. K. Mukerji, Labour Leader of Saharanpur, will speak on "A new approach to communal problem", in the Court House, Dhobi Talao, to-day (Monday) at 6-15 p.m. Mr. Salim M. Merchant, Vice-President, Muslim Students' Union, will preside.

PAREKH'S LECTURE ON AHURA MAZDA: Bhai Manilal C. Parekh will deliver a public lecture on "Conception of Ahura Mazda as given by Zarathushtra" at the Mazdaznan Hall, Industrial Assurance Building, Opp. Churchgate Station, to-day (Monday) at 6-15 p.m. (S. T.). Mr Sohrab J. Bulsara, will preside.

HUME HIGH SCHOOL: Intramural Athletic Sports to-day (Monday) from 2-30 p.m. on the Wilson College Gymkhana Grounds, Kennedy Sea-Face. Sir Ishwardas Lukhmidas will preside.

BHARATIYA VIDYA BHAVAN EXTENSION LECTURES: The next lecture under the auspices of the Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan will take place at 4 p.m. to-day (Monday) at University Buildings: South Wing (Ground Floor), Shri S. D. Gyani, will speak on "Mahapuranas a Critical Study."

A. R. P. LECTURES AT WORLI: Mr. T. H. Dhanokar will deliver a lecture on "Duties of Warden Instructors" at D. D. Chawl No 5, at 7 p.m. to-day (Monday.)

DAWOODI BOHRA EDUCATIONAL MERIT GOLD MEDAL AWARD: Applications from amongst Dawoodi Bohras considering to have achieved singular Educational Merit during 1941, are invited by 28th instant latest. Apply with full particulars to:—President, the Bohra Youth League, 129 Abdul Rehman Street, Bombay, 3.

SHRI MAHAVIRA JAINA VIDYALAYA: Sjt. Virchand Panachand Shah will deliver a lecture on the "Reminiscences of the Silver Jubilee of the Benares Hindu University" at 7 p.m to-day (Monday) in the Vidyalaya Lecture Hall, Gowalia Tank Road.

HAKIMJI HIGH SCHOOL: It is proposed to hold a Social Gathering of the past pupils of the S. P. Hakimji High School, Bordi, on 1st March 1942, at Chembur, Bombay. It is also desired at that time to prepare a scheme to commemorate the ensuing Silver Jubilee of the School.

The Party will start from Khodadad Circle, Dadar, at 7 a.m. on 1st of March and return the same evening. Past pupils are requested to muster strong. Subscription of Re. 1-8 should be sent to S. D. Parulekar, Suburban Trading Agency, Dadar, (B. B. & C. I.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS: The Governor of Bombay and Lady Lumley attended the Founders' Day Service at Christ Church, Byculla on Sunday.

"Blitz"

"Blitz Weekly News Magazine" has just completed its first year and has celebrated the occasion by issuing a Special India-China Goodwill Supplement distributed free with the last issue. A vigorous and live, though rather self-conscious, paper, "Blitz" has very quickly made a place for itself in Indian journalism. The "Chronicle" wishes it a long and successful life.

Extension Of Black-out Area

BOMBAY, Feb. 8.

In continuation of the warning recently given through the Press that the black-out area in Bombay and the time of the black-out might be extended, orders are being issued to-morrow (Monday) extending the area as far as:

to the west of Cadell Road, from Mahim Causeway to its junction with the Worli Sluice Road.

to the west of Worli Road, Haines Road to Mahaluxmi over-bridge, thence to the west of the fencing of G.I.P. and B.B. & C.I. Railway to Arthur Road,

to the west of Tardeo Road to until it joins up with the existing black-out area at Girgaum Road

The time will be from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. in both the old and new areas.

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PRICE CONTROL

The fourth Price Control Conference, which was held at New Delhi during the week-end, had to face some tough problems created by the recent drastic curtailment of transport facilities and the failure of production to keep pace with fast growing demand. With growing difficulty in ensuring adequate supplies of necessaries of life without undue delay some Provinces and States have naturally resorted to a policy of self-sufficiency in respect of such necessaries by restricting their export or laying up big stocks. This only aggravates the scarcity in some other parts of the country. The Commerce Member, who opened the Delhi Conference, did not improve matters by railing at the self-sufficiency theory. He gave a hint to the Provinces and States concerned that Government might have to take action against restricting the free movement of goods. We have always held that price control must be on an All-Inda scale, that there should be due co-ordination between the Provinces and the States. But the best way to secure an even supply in all places is to provide adequate means of transport and to stimulate production of all necessaries of life, and not merely of war requisites.

Problem Of Transport

The present abnormal transport shortage is due, not merely to the abnormal movement of munitions and other such war supplies, but also to the fact that considerable Railway track and equipment have been surrendered "for India's far-flung lines of defence", including so far about 200 locomotives and over 10,000 other vehicles. And what is the result of all this on the country's trade and its internal movement of war supplies? Mr. J. C. Setalvad, the new President of the Indian Merchant's Chamber, Bombay, remarked at the last annual general meeting of the Chamber: "The shortage of wagons has resulted in disorganising trade and industries in certain directions Thousands of bags of sugar, for instance, are lying at certain stations for being despatched to their destination where they are badly required. The same is the case with cotton which is required by mills both in Ahmedabad and Bombay; coal which is required by railways as well as mills and other factories; food-grains which are so very badly required by consumers when prices were soaring high or are made to soar high by profiteers; and all this can be reasonably avoided if we have got sufficient number of wagons and locomotives to move them". It will be well for Government to know how far the dislocation of trade has affected the movement of war supplies in the country. The problem of transport is made more difficult by the drastic rationing of petrol. We wonder what progress, if any, Government are making in the use of substitutes for petrol like power-alcohol and charcoal gas The problem of prices cannot be satisfactorily solved unless goods can be easily transported from where they are cheap to where they are dear.

Speed Up Production

More important than transport facilities is the speeding up of production. We doubt if Government sufficiently concern themselves with this aspect of the problem regarding commodities needed by the people in general as distinct from war supplies. They may be tempted to follow, with regard to such commodities, the *laissez faire* policy of letting supply somehow meet the demand without any State intervention. Even in normal times such a policy is not the best. In war times, when there is State control over so many things, leaving out of control the production of necessaries of life may be dangerous The Delhi Conference has doubtless recommended the constitution of regional committees "to deal with the adequate supply of essential commodities in their areas". We trust the committees will deal with the supply of the commodities not merely by transporting them from one place to another but also by ensuring a larger production wherever necessary. This is essential with regard to food and clothing. Else destitution may lead to disturbances. The Congress also, we trust, will help in producing more food and more cloth, particularly in rural areas where State effort may not be conspicuous. The Indian Merchant's Chamber has suggested that, in addition to fixing maximum prices, Government should establish large granaries in different centres of the country and be prepared to sell at the fixed rate any number of bags to customers, retail or wholesale As "Harijan" points out, "Government's readiness to sell at a particular price will prevent traders from putting up their prices, as is actually the case with regard to silver.

Chinese In Burma

Upto Saturday at any rate the Japanese had not made any serious attempt to cross the Salween and to establish any substantial bridgehead on its west bank. Meanwhile it is good to know that while contingents of Chinese troops are already in position, more are coming in a steady stream for the defence of Burma. If General Hutton succeeds in holding the Japanese on the east bank of the Salween for any length of time and receives reinforcements and supplies in the meantime, Burma can be saved with less trouble than is anticipated at present. But Burma has got to be defended at all costs because of its immense economic and strategical value to the Japanese and because of its life-and-death importance to China

But what of Singapore? The "mass assault" on the fortress which the Japanese announced as having been launched a few days ago is actually still in the radio stage. So far the Japanese have not made any material move beyond continuing air-raids and intensifying cannonading. But this does not mean that the lull is going to last long much less that Singapore is not in very grave danger indeed. The present garrison, however, can hold the island for a fairly long time provided it receives supplies and, especially, strong air support. In this connection, the hints which Mr. Forde, the Australian War Minister, if not General Percival himself, has given in his statement are, quite frankly, disappointing. Mr. Forde all but assumes the probability that the fortress will fall. Mr. Forde, like the rest of his colleagues, is rather nervous about the less imminent danger to Australia. But the fact remains that the loss of Singapore would be a big and serious tragedy. Washington messages interpret the planning of Allied Commands, supply allocations and so on as meaning that America and Britain are now "getting into their stride", and Mr. Forde also speaks of some secret moves already under way. All this is welcome But Singapore, too, must benefit directly from them.

The Russo-German Front

Reports received during the last few days from the Russian front would indicate a slowing down of the pace of Soviet progress. Two reasons are suggested for this. First, the advancing force has to reorganise lines of communication and the bringing up of supplies and this becomes a particularly difficult task in the weather that prevails over the whole front. Secondly, the Germans have now received definite orders to cling desperately to their present positions and to retreat no further. To stem the Russian advance, they are throwing in reserves of men and material which they have been accumulating **for their spring offensive.** This is in itself an important gain for the Russians. But, of course, it is by no means an adequate gain and the Russians are aware of the fact. They realise the necessity of keeping the Germans continuously on the run. Hence their renewed efforts, as, for instance, in the Leningrad and Smolensk region where the Germans too, are reported to be desperately active. It is vitally important that before the weather changes, Leningrad is relieved and the Nazis are driven back beyond Smolensk and Dnieper. German resistance is certainly more grim than ever, but the main Russian objectives are not far distant while, on the other hand, they have still **enough time to achieve them.**

Frankly Speaking

Hitler And Africa

It is depressing to learn that General Rommel has not been held even in the region between Derna and El Ghazala, although very substantial progress by him was not unexpected after the British withdrawal from Beaghazi. Nor is it possible to discover from Cairo communiques and comments as to where the Eighth Army proposes to give battle to him. Meanwhile a number of things suggest that General Rommel's counter-offensive is not just a local Libyan affair but a main factor in Axis-Japanese grand strategy Washington and London reports make it almost clear that Vichy France is now being brought into the struggle in right earnest. Secondly, Reichsmarshal Goering has paid a visit to Italy. Thirdly, Italo-German Naval chiefs had recently met in conference in Bulgaria. And finally, not long ago, a Berlin spokesman hinted at co-ordination of Axis-Japanese military plans. It looks as if Herr Hitler is trying to stage something big in the Mediterranean and Africa in conjunction with Italy and with the assistance of Spain and of subservient Vichy France.

Bombay Automobile Scheme

Mr. A. B. Latthe, ex-Finance Minister, Bombay Government, accuses the Government of India of "a deliberate desire to mislead the public" about their attitude to the automobile industry scheme. He says that the Congress Government had offered to the promoters of the scheme every facility it needed except one which the Government of India alone could give, namely, an assurance asked for by the promoters that the import duties on motor cars would not be reduced for a period of ten years or so. The Government of India, he says, killed the scheme by refusing to give an assurance which "any National Government would have most willingly and readily given." The Government of India owe an explanation to the public as to why they withheld this simple assurance to continue existing import duties.

Wishful Thinking

Not many will agree with Gandhiji in his view that Hindi, Urdu and Hindustani mean one and the same language. These three names are in popular use to mean three languages which, though similar, are sufficiently different to be named differently. In such circumstances it only creates confusion to say that the popular use of the terms is incorrect and that the three terms mean the same thing. Wishful thinking is not necessarily accurate thinking. However, we wholeheartedly support Gandhiji's proposal to form an association to promote the learning of both Hindi and Urdu and both the Nagari and the Urdu scripts by its members and to carry on propaganda "in the hope finally of a natural fusion of the two becoming a common inter-provincial speech called Hindustani." It should be obvious that till the fusion actually takes place, the two things to be yet fused are different and that these two are at present different from the product of the desired fusion which is yet to take place.

Neglect Of Teeth

An examination of over 5,300 children, carried out by the Bombay Presidency Dental Association, is stated to have shown that 50 per cent of them had decayed teeth, that less than 10 per cent cleaned their teeth daily and that 60 per cent never did so. The figures, if accurate, are indicative of a very unsatisfactory state of things. Those about the cleaning of teeth are not creditable to the children's parents and teachers. We should like to know if the above figures tally with those shown by investigations by other bodies like the Bombay Municipal Schools Committee.

MRS. NAIDU AS P. E. N. PRESIDENT

(By T. V. P.)

Within my experience or recollection, for the first time, the Jiwanji Modi Memorial Hall was really packed on Tuesday evening. Not one seat was vacant and the galleries also were completely filled.

And what an audience! Thoroughly cosmopolitan, with not only Indians of all castes, creeds, denominations, and men and women, but speaking almost all Indian languages, there was quite a gathering of European men and women, too, and not merely a sprinkling of them.

Why? Mrs. Sorojini Naidu was to speak and that, too, on 'Literature is the mirror of life.' She was in her element as poetess and litterateur. Sixty years young, she was the same patriot, who stirred audiences during the Home Rule, Non-cooperation, and Satyagraha campaigns, the same kindly, genial soul, having a ready witted compliment on the tip of her tongue for everybody present on the platform; the same Sorojini Naidu, jovial, playful, and sweet President of the Bombay **Provincial Congress Committee,** now voted President of the Indian P.E.N.

Mrs. Naidu said she would show her 'private face', because her public face was that of an anti-Imperialist, Gandhite, non-co-operating woman politician and agitator. Did she succeed in doing that? Her old fiery, inspiring, humorous, eloquence was there in full swing. She has not suffered a bit in her popularity or ability. Her soul poured forth a non-stop appeal for the promotion of human fellowship, oneness of humanity despite diversity of race and clime. She declared herself the never-failing adherent of eternal human values as preached by saints, prophets and seer's of all countries and climes.

She was on the international canvas for the whole one hour she spoke, leaving a tremendous impression on all who came to **Sir Jiwanji Modi Hall.**

Who Killed Automobile Industry Scheme?

Mr. Latthe's Revelations And Questions For Govt. Of India

Mr. A. B. Latthe, ex-Finance Minister, Bombay Government, writes:—

The Press Note issued by the Government of India contradicting Pandit Nehru and justifying the Government's attitude towards the attempt to start an automobile factory in this Province is guilty of a deliberate desire to mislead the public. It says that there was no question of the Government of India's consent to this attempt, that what the promoters asked for was a guarantee of interest on invested capital, that Government were prepared to give the necessary assurances regarding levy of import duties, and that the Government of Bombay could not, after the outbreak of the war, confirm the previous offer unless the scheme could be described as a War Effort. These statements are intended to create the impression that the attitude of the Government of India was never unhelpful. With this in view, the Press Note has cleverly mixed up what happened when the Congress was in office in Bombay and what may have taken place after its resignation. So far as the facts of the case prior to the resignation of the Ministry are concerned, I am definitely of opinion that the scheme approved by the Ministry and agreed to by the promoters of the Scheme could not materialise only because the Government of India was not then prepared to give a simple assurance that the import duties on motor cars would not be reduced for a period of ten years or so. The Bombay Ministry agreed to guarantee interest for ten years on conditions which were acceptable to the promoters of the scheme. The only condition laid down by the Ministry which could not be fulfilled was in respect of the assurances asked for from the Government of India. There was then no question as to whether the scheme was a war effort or not. There was then no war at all. The scheme could make no further progress then only because the Government of India would give no assurances whatever regarding import duties, etc. The Bombay Ministry did its best to persuade the Government of India to give the assurances and at one time we all hoped that the Viceroy would evince his sympathy with the scheme by conceding the request made. For reasons best known to themselves, the Government of India killed the scheme before the outbreak of the War although the Bombay Government with the Congress in office was ready to guarantee interest for ten years and give other facilities. I cannot say what the motive of the Government of India may have been. But the refusal to give assurances which any national Government would have most willingly and readily given is clear enough and the public can legitimately draw their own inferences regarding those motives.

Having killed the scheme in this way prior to the outbreak of the war and before difficulties regarding shipping facilities and so on arose, the Government of India seem to have found a new excuse for dealing similarly with the revived attempt to start the factory, namely, that it was not a war effort. The only question which the Government of India must answer is whether or not they declined to give assurances regarding the continuation of the existing import duties for 10 years and if so, why did they refuse when there was no question of the war creating any difficulties.

HINDI-URDU CONTROVERSY

Mahatma Re-emphasises Need For Forming Association Advocating Both Forms Of Speech

AHMEDABAD, February 8.

"ALL WHO WANT ONE ALL-INDIA SPEECH SHOULD, TO-DAY, LEARN BOTH THE FORMS"—HINDI AND URDU. THOSE WHO DO WILL ULTIMATELY GIVE US A COMMON LANGUAGE. THAT FORM WHICH IS MORE POPULAR AND MORE UNDERSTOOD BY THE MASSES, WHETHER HINDU OR MUSLIM, WILL SURELY BE THE ALL-INDIA SPEECH. BUT IF MY PROPOSAL FINDS GENERAL ACCEPTANCE, THE LANGUAGE QUESTION WILL CEASE TO BE A POLITICAL ISSUE, OR A BONE OF CONTENTION". WRITES MAHATMA GANDHI IN TO-DAY'S "HARIJAN" IN REPLY TO A CORRESPONDENT.

The correspondent wrote: "I was very much impressed by your convocation address at the Benares University. Specially your remarks about making Hindustani the medium of instruction in our educational institutions were very apt on the occasion. But do you really believe that there exists in our country any such language as Hindustani? As a matter of fact there is no such language, and I am afraid that at Benares you advocated the cause of Hindi and that is the way with all the Congressmen. I wonder why you openly don't say what you really mean. Say, you want Hindi. Why call it Hindustani, or still worse Hindi-Hindustani, by which name you wanted to call it some years back and which nobody ever used."

Mahatma Gandhi adds: "A language becomes what its speakers and writers make it. English had no merit apart from what Englishmen made it. In other words, a language is a human creation and takes the colour of its creators. Every language is capable of infinite expansion. Modern Bengali is what Bankim and Rabindranath have made it. If, therefore, it is true that Urdu is more everything than Hindi, it is because its creators are abler than those of Hindi. I can give no opinion, for I have not studied either as a linguist. I know just enough of both for my public work.

But is Urdu a language distinct from Hindi as, say Bengali is from Marathi? Is not Urdu a direct descendant of Hindi, written in the Persian character with a tendency to borrow new words from Persian and Arabic rather than Sanskrit? If there was no estrangement between the two communities, such a phenomenon would have been welcomed. And when the animosities have died out,—as they will one day—our descendants will laugh at our quarrels and will be proud of the common Hindustani speech which will be a mixture of words indifferently borrowed from many languages, according to the taste and equipment of its multitude of writers and speakers.

REMOVING 'MISIMPRESSION'

Let me correct one misimpression of my correspondent. He seems to think that Hindustani will finally displace all the provincial languages. That is neither my dream nor of those who have been thinking of an all-India speech. Their dream is that Hindustani should displace English which has almost become a common medium of communication between the educated classes resulting in a gulf being created between them and the masses The tragedy can be prevented only if the common speech spoken by the largest number of India's inhabitants is adopted as the inter-provincial speech. The fight, therefore, is not between Hindi and Urdu, but between the two on the one hand and English on the other. The result is a foregone conclusion in spite of the heavy handicap that the sisters are labouring under, not to speak of the temporary mutual quarrel.

H. S. SAMMELAN'S RECORD

My correspondent quarrels with my connection with the Hindi Sahitya Sammelan. I am proud of my connection with that body. It has a record of which it has no reason to be ashamed. The name 'Hindi' was common to both the communities. Both have written in Hindi and promoted its growth. Evidently my correspondent is ignorant of what my connection with that body has meant. It was under my instigation that it wisely, and shall I say patriotically and generously, adopted the definition of 'Hindi' to cover Urdu. He asks whether I ever joined an Urdu Anjuman. I have never been seriously asked to join any. If I was, I would have made a stipulation with my inviters similar to the one I made with those who induced me to preside at the Hindi Sahitya Sammelan. I would have asked the Urdu-speaking inviters to let me ask the audience to define 'Urdu' so as to include Hindi speech written in Devanagari script; no such luck came my way.

MOVE TO FORM ASSOCIATION

BUT NOW, AS I HAVE ALREADY HINTED IN MY ARTICLE OF THE 1st INST ALREADY REFERRED TO, I WOULD LIKE TO FORM AN ASSOCIATION ADVOCATING THE LEARNING OF BOTH FORMS OF SPEECH AND BOTH THE SCRIPTS BY ITS MEMBERS AND CARRYING ON PROPAGANDA TO THAT END IN THE HOPE FINALLY OF A NATURAL FUSION OF THE TWO BECOMING A COMMON INTER-PROVINCIAL SPEECH CALLED 'HINDUSTANI.' THEN THE EQUATION WOULD BE NOT HINDUSTANI—HINDI PLUS URDU, BUT HINDUSTANI-HINDI-URDU—A. P.

LAST STRAW ON RUMANIA'S BACK?

ANKARA, Feb. 8.

Rumanian circles here confirm the resignation of Gen. Jacobici and Gen. Taparanu and also state that General Palangeanu, the director of military operations has resigned. Astonishment is expressed among members of the Rumanian colony here and in Istanbul, it being felt that the resignations are an indication that the crisis in Rumania is assuming serious proportions. The resignations are held to indicate either that Rumania cannot afford to supply 300,000 men by the spring or else the Germans have asked for still more men. The Rumanians are also bitter about the number of Transylyians included in the contingent for the eastern front.—Reuter.

ABDUL GHAFFAR KHAN RESIGNS

Bardoli Decision Makes Frontier Leader Quit Congress Cabinet

PESHAWAR, Feb. 8.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan has resigned from the Congress Working Committee. It is stated he found it difficult to continue to function as an official of the Congress because of his firm views on the issue of non-violence.

It is understood that at to-day's meeting of the Working Committee of the Frontier Provincial Congress Committee, he explained his attitude towards recent developments in the Congress at Bardoli and his plea to the Working Committee to get relieved of the responsibilities in the circumstances. The Working Committee held the opinion that there was no harm if he was given freedom to do as he thought best but he must continue to guide the destinies of the people and carry out national constructive work in the Province. He must also give the benefit of his advice in all other matters and attend meetings of the F.P.C.C. whenever invited.

Dr. Khan Sahib when interviewed said: "As a matter of fact Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan has not really left the Congress. His advice will be available on all occasions and Congressmen in the Frontier Province are sure that he will continue to be the supreme leader of the people of this Province.

After the meeting the President Khan Ali Gul Khan announced: "Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan is still the sole leader of his people and all the workers will continue to act under his command and advice. No change will come in the functions of the Provincial Congress Committee."

KHAN SAHEB ELECTED

The F.P.C.C. has elected Dr. Khan Sahib to the seat vacated by Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan on the A.I.C.C. Congress circles here think that Dr. Khan Sahib will be nominated by the Congress President as a Working Committee member. Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan is to-morrow sending his resignation to Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan had resigned from the Congress Working Committee once before in July, 1940, when he considered that the Congress had made a departure from the policy of non-violence. In January this year in Bombay he publicly declared that with him non-violence was not a policy but a permanent creed. It was the dynamic force which would save the Pathans from servility and self-destruction.—A.P.

Black-Out In Bombay

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—While appreciating the Government's policy of rendering the city an entire black-out, and before Bombayites could fall a victim to an air raid, it is much to be regretted that the same has made burglars, cut-throats, pick-pockets, and assassins reap a good harvest at the point of lethal weapons. Several citizens, have fallen a victim to this as well as to accidents resulting in many cases seriously fracturing their limbs. I may state an instance in which a gentleman who while entering the staircases leading to the platform, from the side gate of the Churchgate station facing to the sea, had a very narrow escape, which otherwise would have proved a serious accident resulting in the fracturing of his skull, owing to lack of light near the staircases.

Will the Railway authorities and Government remedy this state of affairs, and arrange for light at such entrance screening same in conformity with the A. R. P. rules and regulations?—Yours, etc.,

RATON RAIKHOSHRU MASTER.
Zaveri Building,
Corner Grant Road,
Bombay.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

Though New Delhi is full of speculations—thanks to the meeting of the Defence Council which has many aspirants to the Viceroy's Executive Council—it does not appear that Indian members of the Viceroy's Council have so far any official knowledge of Whitehall's plans. In reference to press reports, one Indian member told me: "You seem to know more than we do."

—Our Delhi Correspondent.

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Sjt. C. Rajagopalachar would agree to send one son from every family for the defence of the country, if Britain agreed to recognise India as a free country.

The sons concerned, therefore, need not get ready or even excited.

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Criticising the speeches of Mr. Amery and the Duke of Devonshire, Mr Prakasam asks: Who was responsible for keeping up the communal differences?

It is, we submit, not good manners to ask pointedly personal questions

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It is reported that a Congress leader Mr. Gopinath Srivastva and the Muslim League leader Chaudhry Khaliquzzaman are holding discussions with a view to achieving joint co-operation in regard to internal security in Lucknow

That clearly means that the Quaid-e-Azam has not yet called for an explanation from Mr Khaliquzzaman

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Among those present at the Sapru Non-Party Leaders' Conference at Nagpur was Sjt M. S Aney.

Sjt Aney will no doubt be present later at the Viceroy's Council where the subject will be ignored by common tacit consent

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Nahas Pasha has secured the dissolution of the Egyptian Parliament and a new one is to meet on March 13.

Thus democratic procedure must greatly annoy a whole lot of er—— democrats.

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More plans have been formulated at Washington for air, sea and land war against the Axis and Japan

When they will begin to assume practical shape, let alone show results, is however an unimportant point and rather irrelevant

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Washington believes that supplies of French origin have been forwarded to General Rommel

What else could the admirable Darlan do, on a long range view of self-preservation?

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Italians shoot Arabs.—Headline.

This, we must recognise, is a greatly civilised improvement upon the old method of dropping live Arabs from a height of 10,000 feet.

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At a recent conference, the Lady Deputy President of the U.P. Legislative Council observed rather candidly that "No nation can be great in which the women do not occupy their rightful place."

If only women would be modest enough to realise this truth.

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"Just think" said the conceited heavy-weight boxer, "thousands of listeners will tune in to this fight tonight."

"Yes," shouted the manager, "and they'll know the result at least ten seconds before you will."

Insurance And War Risk

To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—Anon the advice of the Commerce Member at the annual general meeting of the Federation of Indian Insurance Companies that "this was the time when lives should be insured more rapidly and in larger numbers than ever before", may I appeal to him through the medium of your paper to take immediate steps for declarations by all life insurance companies that all their existing policies will cover all war risks to civilian lives by enemy action? If this is not done the position of those who have provided for their families through insurance policies will be worse than that of savings bank depositors because whereas in the latter case the survivor or legal representative will receive the full amount saved, the assignee or the legal representative of an insurance policy will receive not the full value of the policy but the surrender value which is less than the amount he has saved by investment in a policy. Surely such a state of affairs requires to be remedied immediately. —Yours etc.,

"INTERESTED"

"Hindu-Muslim Unity"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—In a recent article, Sir A. M. K Dehlavi has attempted to show that the Congress has not given any thought to the question of its "so-called" aim, namely, Unity. But attempts at rapprochement with the League made by the Congress during the last three or four years failed, not on the merits of the case, but on the League's insistance that the Congress should, to begin with, recognise the League as the sole representative body of the Muslims in India.

The Congress has stated that in any attempt at a communal settlement it should be willing to accept the decision of any International Tribunal on such points where a settlement could not be arrived at by Indians themselves. Mr. Rajagopalachari repeated very recently the position of the Congress on this subject. If the Muslim League believes honestly that its case is good on merits why fight shy of accepting it?

Pakistan is the solution put forward by the League to an admittedly complex minority problem. Its protagonists have spoken and written much about it, but they seem to have said so little about it. They claim to have found the clue to settle the minority problem, but how is it that not a single word has been said all these years about how they propose to deal with the minorities in their—may I say—sphere of influence? And yet, one seems to have heard it said somewhere that they would give full statutory safe-guards to the minorities! Let us try to be logical. If it is honestly contended that statutory safeguards are and should be good enough for the other man, they should be good enough for all.—Yours etc.

M. K. NARAYAN.

Matunga.

T. U. C. Chief Condemns Repression

DEMANDS RELEASE OF DETENUS AND CLARIFIES WORKING CLASS ATTITUDE TOWARDS WAR

CAWNPORE, Sunday.

Workers have not been able to reconcile the profession of our Government with its practice. If it really means to offer support to Russia why keep behind prison bars, the political prisoners who are but admirers of the Soviet Union and who are avowedly anti-Fascist, says Mr. V. R. Kalappa, in the course of his presidential address at the 19th Session of the All-India Trade Union Congress which began its session to-day.

Repression Condemned

Proceeding Mr. Kalappa condemned "the policy of repression pursued by the Government in the name of the Defence of India" in spite of their previous assurances that no one would be kept under restraint for pursuing normal trade union activities.

Clarifying the attitude of the working class towards war, Mr. Kalappa concluded: Our sympathies are naturally with the suffering masses of Russia, but the Indian working class, enslaved as they are cannot afford to offer any effective aid."

Following are excerpts from Mr. Kalappa's presidential address:—

After the formal merger at the last Session held in Bombay, the All-India Trade Union Congress has indeed become The Central Organisation, representing a powerful working class movement comprising different political groups. We are to-day more clear, more united, more strong and more practical than we were ever before.

RECOMMENDATORY

The War Resolution is not mandatory but purely recommendatory. It merely portrayed the attitude of the All-India Trade Union Congress to war. The position of the organised workers had to be clearly stated. Otherwise, the Bureaucracy may claim that the Indian Working Class who constitute the vast majority of the population are with them. As a matter of fact such a claim is already being made.

The non-existence of political strikes on war issue is interpreted to mean loyalty of the Indian working class to the British Imperialism and support to war efforts. It is true that the workers engaged in munition factories, production of war material and transport services have not laid down the tools. But they are not working to support war efforts but for their living.

As the Resolution of the A. I. T. U. C. on war permits freedom of action to individual unions, no obstacle was placed in the way of those who desired to carry on pro-war propaganda.

The heroic resistance of Russia in all the epic battles has not only evoked the genuine admiration of the whole world but also has opened the eyes of all the capitalist countries which were conceitedly thinking that leadership and military genius were their monopoly.

EFFECTIVE AID NOT POSSIBLE

Our sympathies are naturally with the suffering masses of Russia. But the Indian working class, enslaved as they are, cannot afford to offer any effective aid. A medical mission or a small contribution to the Russian War Fund is the maximum that the Indian workers can afford in token of their sympathy with their suffering comrades in Russia.

Workers cannot gulp the specious logic that support to Britain means support to Russia. Not necessarily. Russia cannot be conjured up in order to blur our vision.

Workers have not been able to reconcile the profession of our Government with its practice. If it really means to offer support to Russia, why keep behind prison bars the political prisoners who are but admirers of the Soviet Union and who are avowedly anti-Fascist?

REPRESSION

No organisation has suffered more than the Trade Union movement under the policy of repression pursued by Government in the name of the Defence of India.

Although Government of India assures that no one will be kept under restraint for pursuing normal Trade Union activities, Provincial Governments have been hounding out active workers and office-bearers of labour organisations. No politician perhaps had to face such heavy sentences in the recent past as labour leaders.

RELEASE DETENUS

Recently some political prisoners mostly convicted for offering Satyagraha, have been released. But the non-release of the detenus and other political prisoners convicted for their alleged or professed leanings towards Socialism or Communism is thoroughly unwarranted by circumstances and morally unjustified. Most of the Labour Leaders have been convicted, though under the Defence of India Act, for their normal trade union activities. The position of the detenus is even worse. If there is any unchallengeable evidence against the detenus, why does not the Government place them on trial? Is it not merely for their ideologies, the detenus and other political prisoners are made to lose their liberty and sacrifice their all?

DEARNESS ALLOWANCE

Although the cost of living has gone up, dearness allowance paid in most of the industries is not adequate enough. Speaking for myself I would prefer control of prices to dearness allowance which is seldom paid adequately.

NEW PROBLEM

The danger of our factories and workshops being bombed is getting more and more imminent with the approach of the Japanese forces from the East. It is not enough to tell the workers that they should boldly face the ordeal, while there are no suitable air-raid shelters and facilities for evacuation of their families. Government and employers should find satisfactory solution to this new problem.

AHMEDABAD TEXTILE LABOUR ASSOCIATION

It is high time that the Ahmedabad Textile Labour Association affiliated itself with the All-India Trade Union Congress. A well organised union like the Labour Association can make some useful contribution to the Central Organisation. Whatever may be the reasons for keeping aloof so far, a stage has come when the Labour Association can do its bit for the solidarity and healthy growth of the Central Organisation. With this belief I approached Mahatma Gandhi to use his good offices for getting the Labour Association affiliated, soon after my election last year. I also had a discussion on this subject with Comrades Shankarlal Banker and Gulzarilal Nanda. I hope ere-long the Ahmedabad Textile Labour Association will be an integral part of the All-India Trade Union Congress.

RESERVE UNITS CALLED

Roosevelt's Order For More Men On Active Duty

WASHINGTON, Feb 7.

President Roosevelt has issued an executive order calling into active military service all organised reserve units not already on active duty. Effective dates whereon the units will be called will be announced later by the War Secretary. Like those already called up these units will serve for the duration and for six months after the termination of the war.—Reuter

Sind Premier Meets Azad Again

NEW DELHI, Feb. 8.

The Hon. Khan Bahadur Allah Baksh, Premier of Sind, called on Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Congress President again to-day and concluded the talks in connection with the constitutional crisis in that Province.

The Congress President visited the Jamia Milia. Dr. Zakir Hussain, Principal, welcoming him said that the idea of national Muslim University was sponsored by Maulana Azad twenty-two years ago, and narrated the various difficulties they had to face in building up the Jamia Milia.—United Press.

AZAD'S CALL TO FOLLOW CONGRESS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 8.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Congress President, addressed a huge meeting at the Gandhi Grounds to-day. The meeting was held under the auspices of the local Congress Committee, and Mr. Asaf Ali, M. L.A., (Central), presided.

Maulana Azad said that the Congress had decided to put all its resources to carry out the new Constructive Programme and serve the countrymen in case of emergency. If the instructions issued by the Congress were faithfully carried out, he added, they would be able to face with confidence and success all that the international turmoil might bring them in future.

He explained that this Congress programme meant no political conflict with anybody, and Congressmen would co-operate with the authorities and all organisations in so far as their line of work coincided with theirs.—United Press.

JAWAHAR'S CALL TO T. U. C. TO AVERT SPLIT

CAWNPORE, Feb. 8.

"We cannot shut our eyes to the bloodshed that is going on all over the world, and to the loss of human lives which is taking place on account of the present war," observed Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru opening the nineteenth session of the All-India Trade Union Congress.

India's premier organisation had rightly expressed its sympathies towards other countries like China and Russia, but now the first question before them was the freedom of India. And India would not yield to British Imperialism. Proceeding further Pandit Nehru said that in case India was free, she would have decided by her own will to move side by side with Britain. But at this stage the country had no other alternative but to fight with all those who ever tried to keep her in slavery. He added that he totally disliked the German rule and Nazism. Britain had made India incapable of any defence. In the event of India being attacked by any other foreign country she would continue to resist. She was faced to oppose all until she was free.

Pt. Nehru further pointed out that India would have developed industrially if she was free but the British Government never allowed her to industrialise, and placed handicaps in the work of the National Planning Committee, of which he was the President.

He urged the Trade Union Congress to take decision on matters which affected the working class. He was of the opinion that any decision taken against the will of the country would create divisions and prove disastrous.

The session was attended by prominent delegates from all the Provinces including Messrs. N. M. Joshi, V. V. Giri, Bankim Mukherjee, Ashok Mehta and others. Dr. P. P. Pillai of the Indian Branch of the International Labour Office and Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya were present by special invitation.—A.P.

PESHAWAR.—Sarab Dyal a resident of Ghaznikhel, is reported to have been kidnapped by tribesmen from Bannu-D.I. Khan border. Search parties have so far failed to establish contact with the gang.

JAPS RE-ENTER WAICHOW

CHUNGKING, Feb. 8.

Sunday's Communique indicates that the Japanese have succeeded in re-entering the East River port of Waichow. Before withdrawing, it is stated the Chinese inflicted heavy casualties on the Japanese forces. Fierce fighting is continuing on the outskirts of the town.

Earlier field dispatches said that Chinese forces east of Canton had pushed the Japanese back ten miles to the outskirts of Poklo which has already twice changed hands in the past two weeks.

The Chinese are now striking westwards in an attempt to prevent the Japanese from using the Canton-Kowloon railway.

BOMBAY: According to the Chungking radio:—Reports from the North Hunan front state that a combined thrust by some 2,000 enemy troops collected from Singyao, Winchiam and Luichian, was repulsed by Chinese forces on January 27 after five hours of fighting. The enemy sustained more than 300 casualties.

CHINESE TROOPS FOR BURMA DEFENCE

BOMBAY, February 8.

Major-General Dennys, head of the British Military Mission in Chungking in a statement, says that in accordance with the Chinese Government's offer to provide troops in the defence of Burma, large contingents of Chinese troops entered Burma some weeks ago, and are now playing an important part in the defence of the country. Their numbers have been increased by fresh arrivals, some days ago General Hutton visited the Chinese troops.—A. P.

"Greater Than Those Of Nazis In Battle Of Britain"

NEW DELHI, Feb. 8.

DESPITE THE GREAT—EVEN SUICIDAL—BRAVERY OF HER AIRMEN, JAPAN'S AIR LOSSES OVER RANGOON SURPASS THOSE THAT THE R. A. F. INFLICTED AT THE HEIGHT OF THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN. THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST STRIKING LESSONS STRESSED IN AN AUTHORITATIVE ESTIMATE OF THE AIR ENCOUNTERS OVER RANGOON DURING THE PAST SIX WEEKS.

A ten per cent destruction of an invading air force is normally taken to be an effective deterrent. the Japanese are therefore turning to night instead of day bombing.

JAPAN'S HEAVY LOSSES IN AIRCRAFT

(Continued from page 1)

for the fifth night in succession, but the raid was on a much smaller scale than the previous ones. It is unofficially estimated that only about twelve bombs were dropped in the first raid. Our night-fighters were very active.—Reuter.

Lesson Of Malayan Campaign

RANGOON, Feb. 8.

"We are in a far sounder position now to cry halt to the Japanese than several weeks ago", said General Hutton at his headquarters.

"It is true the Japanese resorting to tactics on West Malaya coast might send small landing parties up the coast behind our position at Martaban, but the lesson of Malaya has been closely studied, while the Martaban coast is largely jungle going right down to the sea which assisted the Japanese Malayan campaign.

Exploits Of R. A. F. In Burma

BOMBAY, Feb. 8.

According to the Rangoon radio: Here is an order of the day for February 6, issued by Air Vice Marshal D. S. Stevenson, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., commanding the R.A.F. in Burma:—

"To-day the A.V.G. has destroyed its 100th Japanese aircraft in the defence of Rangoon. I take this opportunity of expressing to their commander and to squadron commanders Newkirk and Alson, and to the pilots and ground staff, the sincere appreciation of the R.A.F. in Burma, for the remarkable feats of this air force. The A.V.G. has helped to defend Rangoon from unrestricted attacks by Japanese aircraft.

Nothing To Report On Salween Front

According to Rangoon Radio, the Army Headquarter's 'communique' issued this evening states: "All quiet on the Salween front. Three Japanese spies have been caught and shot by the police."

No Permanent Garrison At Pulau Ubin

The island of Pulau Ubin on which the Japanese have landed according to Sunday's Communique from Singapore is in the eastern end of the Straits of Johore between the Malay mainland and the island of Singapore.

Authoritative military quarters in London state this island had no defences nor a permanent garrison. The practice, it was added, was for British patrols to visit it from time to time.

HEAVY ARTILLERY TRAINED ON SINGAPORE

SINGAPORE, Feb. 8.

Shortly afternoon to-day artillery activity appeared to have considerably increased and the boom and roar of distant heavy guns interspersed by the sharper cracks of field pieces could plainly be heard in the town interfering in many cases with the customary Sunday siesta of the residents, the heavier stuff shaking the residences. It is believed that these ominous sounds were caused by the Japanese attempts to plaster our road communications while our batteries returning the compliment at the same time endeavoured to silence the enemy batteries. Our batteries opened up on enemy raiders who came over at about noon in a largish formation but apparently dropped no bombs at least anywhere near the town area. Hurricanes cruised round over Singapore this afternoon. Pressmen who visited the front this morning, found nothing unusual going on.

PERIODIC OUTBURST

There was only the usual sporadic exchange of artillery fire, in which connection it was noticeable that enemy battery commanders appear to follow a time-table and loose off rounds at fixed periods. Our men in the forward areas say that they can almost set watches to the half hourly, hourly and two-hourly opening up of Japanese guns as the case may be.—Reuter.

Chinese Troops For Defence Of Burma

RANGOON, Feb. 8.

For reasons of secrecy it has not been possible hitherto to give details of co-operation of Chinese troops in the defence of Burma. Facts so far as can be revealed are that during the last two months there has been a steady influx of Chinese troops into Burma and it is not a secret that more are on the way. It is understood that the Chinese will assume entire responsibility for certain sections of the front and will operate under their own formation commanders.

Gen. Hutton, who recently publicly expressed pleasure at having Chinese troops under his command and of the excellent relations he had established with their commanders and staffs recently visited the southern Shan States where the bulk of Chinese troops are located. It is understood that he was greatly impressed by their general efficiency and fighting spirit.

Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek's gesture in making some of his best troops available for the defence of Burma has been generally welcomed in this country as a sign of close co-operation between the Allies against the Japanese.

WILL AUSTRALIA DIE OR LIVE?

MELBOURNE, Feb. 7

Sir Keith Murdoch, writing an article in the "Herald", says: "I have formed the belief that Australia is not yet giving an exemplary lead to the South-West Pacific, without which she is more likely to die than live, for her safety depends on rewinning sea and air supremacy in the Pacific by aeroplanes and fleets from Britain and the United States. Meanwhile the armies must hold firm. Surely there is no longer need to argue about sea-power. Japanese line of conquests has ended that.—Reuter.

CONCEALED BATTERIES START BOMBARDMENT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.

A War Department Communique states:

"PHILIPPINE THEATRE: Bombardment of our fortifications at the entrance of the Malla Bay by concealed enemy batteries in the Cavite shore was resumed. The fire was concentrated on Fort Mills, Hughes and Frank for two hours. Projectiles were fired at four minute intervals. No serious damage was done. On the Bataan Peninsula the enemy made an infiltration thrust on our right. A sharp counter-attack repulsed this attack. Fighting is increasing in intensity on our left. Aerial bombing by the enemy of our positions in Bataan was heavy throughout the past 24 hours.

Nothing to report from other areas."—Reuter

NAHAS PASHA'S TRIBUTE TO BRITAIN

General Election: Parliament To Meet On March 13

CAIRO, Feb. 7.

After a remarkable demonstration, by crowds outside the Premier's office, of the enthusiasm at the return of Nahas Pasha and for Britain, Nahas addressed the gathering. He said, he would take drastic action against intrigues. He paid a tribute to Britain and the confidence inspired by her Ambassador who had collaborated regarding the Anglo-Egyptian treaty. The crowds thereupon chorused "Long Live Egypt" the populace burst into renewed cheering and clapping.

GENERAL ELECTION.

At noon on Saturday, King Farouk signed decrees, first, dissolving Parliament, and summoning a new Parliament to meet on March 13th, under a general election and second, appointing the Nahas Pasha Government of Egypt.—Reuter.

'Alert' At Darwin

DARWIN (Australia), Feb. 8.

An air raid alarm sounded at Darwin this (Sunday) afternoon lasted an hour and a half. This was the third alarm, since Japan entered war, but no Japanese planes have yet reached Darwin.

SUPPLY SHIP BOMBED

In the course of searches for enemy shipping by aircraft of the Coastal Command to-day a supply vessel was found and bombed off the Norwegian Coast. Two aircraft are missing from the day's operations

BR. DESTROYER SUNK

LONDON, Feb. 8.

An Admiralty 'communique' announces that the destroyer 'Mata Bele' has been sunk.—Reuter.

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Bombay Annexes Cycling And Women's Athletics

Punjab Wins Tata Trophy In Tenth Indian Olympics

LAHORE, Feb 8.

The Cycling and Women's Athletic Championships in the 10th Indian Olympic Games were won by Bombay.

The Punjab won the Tata Trophy by securing 92 points, which concluded to-day in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering. Patiala was second with 55 points and Bombay third with 45 points. Bengal, last year's winner, secured 18 points. Among other provinces, U. P. secured 8 points, Rajputana 6, Mysore 6, Delhi 1, Bihar 3, Assam nil, C. P. nil, Gwalior nil, Baroda nil.

The Punjab also won the wrestling Tropny, Baroda and Bengal being placed second.

Bengal annexed the All-India weight lifting championships securing 26 points. The Punjab and U. P. obtained seventeen and one points respectively.

The All-India Volly Ball Championship was won by U. P. who beat Punjab by three games to one.

In the all Kabaddi tournament, C. P. beat Punjab by 47 points to 12.

H. E. the Governor of the Punjab distributed the trophies and certificates, whereafter the Olympic Flag was lowered.

Following are results of events on the concluding day of the tenth Indian Olympic Games:—

HUNDRED AND TEN METRES HURDLES (Final):—Saleem Khawaja (Punjab) first; Lala Singh (Patiala) second; N. K. Tajmohd (Punjab) third. Time 15.9 secs.

THOUSAND METRES CYCLE RACE (Final):—B. Malcolm (Bombay) first; Shah Rukh (Punjab) second; B. M. Hutchinson (Bihar) third. Time one minute 58.3 secs.

HUNDRED METRE RUN (WOMEN) Final:—Bodal (Bombay) first; M. Gilbert (Bombay) second; E. Michael (U. P.) third. Time 1.2 secs.

HOP STEP AND JUMP FINAL:—L. T. Boose (Bombay) first; E. A. Evans (Punjab) second; Mohd Nawaz (Punjab) third. Distance 47 feet 5-3/4 inches.

HUNDRED METRES RUN MEN (FINAL):—L. C. Woodcock (Bombay) first; Mohd Rafiq (Punjab) second; M. Ferron (Bengal) third. Time 11 secs.

HAMMER THROW (FINAL):—Somnath (Patiala) first; Kishen Singh (Patiala) second; Gurnamsingh (Punjab) third Distance 138 feet 1-1/2 inches.

STEEPLE CHASE THREE THOUSAND METRES (Final):—Silasingh (Patiala) first; Mohd Hyat Tiwana (Punjab) second; Mohd Siddique (Punjab) third. Time ten minutes 19.2 secs.

PENTATHLON (Final):—Whiter (Punjab) first; with 2,923,92 points; Manoharlal (Rajputana) second with 2,781 points; Fazal Mohd (Punjab) third with 2,231.89 points.

FIVE THOUSAND METRES RUN (Men):—Jagvirsingh (Punjab) first; Gurbachand Singh (Patiala) second; Pte. J. Jevons (Bengal) third. Time sixteen minutes 17.4 secs.

HIGH JUMP FINAL (WOMEN). Una Lyons (Punjab) first; P. Moulton (Bombay) second; M. Gilbert (Bombay) third. Height four feet 11 inches.

WRESTLING MATCHES: BANTAM WEIGHT:—Dharkanath (Punjab) winner; W. Barot (Baroda) runnerup. FEATHER WEIGHT BANTAM Warisingh (Punjab) winner. M. Dutt (Bengal) runner up. LIGHT-WEIGHT:—Bhonsle (Baroda) winner, Abdul Khaliq (Punjab) runner up WELTER-WEIGHT:—Inshaullah (Punjab) winner; Govind Singh (U. P.) runner up. MIDDLE WEIGHT.—Razaali (Punjab) winner; Abdul Rahim (C. P.) runner up. HEAVY WEIGHT:—M. Gobo (Bengal) winner; Faqir Mohd (Punjab) runner up.

JAVELIN THROW (Final). Laladin (Punjab) first; H. Davenport (Bihar) second; Hazura Singh (Patiala) third. Distance 168 feet ten inches.

ALL-INDIA WEIGHT-LIFTING CHAMPIONSHIP LIGHT HEAVY WEIGHT:—S. Dutta (Bengal) first with 550 lbs.; Hakim M. Zafrullah (Punjab) second; Razaali (Punjab) third. HEAVY WEIGHT:—R. J. Martin (Punjab) first with 685 lbs. Hari Krishnan (Punjab) second.

EIGHTY METRES HURDLES (Women):—M. Gilbert (Bombay) first; M. C. Rourke (Bengal) second; Agnes Carr (Punjab) third. Time 13.5 seconds.

TEN THOUSAND METRES CYCLE RACE FINAL:—J. F. Amin (Bombay) first; R. K. Mehra (Bengal) second; A. R. Havewalla (Bombay) third. Time 20 minutes 23.3 secs.

POLE VAULT MEN (Final):—Mushraf Hussain (U. P.) first; A. K. Mukerji (Bengal) second; K. A. Shafi (Punjab) third. Height eleven feet 6-1/2 inches.

FOUR HUNDRED METRES RUN MEN (Final):—Akhtar Iqbal (Punjab) first; Pritam Singh (Patiala) second; Sardul Singh (Punjab) third. Time 50.5 secs.

1,300 METRES RUN MEN (Final):—Hardeo Singh (Patiala) first; Zail Singh (Punjab) second; Harram Singh (Punjab) third. Time four minutes 10.6 secs.

FOUR INTO HUNDRED METRES RELAY (Final):—(Bombay) first; (Punjab) second; (Bengal) third. Time 44.2 secs.—A. P.

INTER-PROVINCIAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

LAHORE, Feb 7.

The Executive Committee of the Punjab Hockey Association at a meeting today decided to hold the Inter-Provincial Hockey Tournament from February 24 to March 2 instead of from March 1st to March 8th in view of the clash of dates with the All-India Tennis Tournament to be held in Lahore from February 28 to March 8.—A. P.

DON'T REPEAT AUGUST OFFER

Kher's Plain-Speaking To British Statesmen

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, Feb. 8.

"Our demand has been made clear in the declaration of September 14, 1939, and I ask British statesmen not to repeat August 8th offer any longer", said Mr. B. G. Kher, ex-Prime Minister Bombay addressing a large meeting held at Congress House this evening.

Mr. Kher traced the history of negotiations between the Congress Government and declared British Government was not prepared to part with real power. The message of the Wardha meeting of the A.I.C.C. he said, was that there should be no illusions about British offers any longer and the duty before every Congressman was to concentrate all his energies on the constructive programme as chalked out by Gandhiji.

Acharya Narendra Deo addressed the members of the Maharashtra Congress Socialist Party this morning. Acharya Narendra Deo advised the Party members to carry on instructions to Congressmen drafted by the Congress Working Committee at Wardha.

Bombay Govt. Finance

Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

The Auditor-General has submitted to the Governor of Bombay the Finance Accounts of the Bombay Government for the year 1940-41. In the ordinary course copies of these accounts would have been placed before the Legislature in the budget session. In view of the suspension of the Legislature, copies have now been sent to the Press.

A detailed analysis of these Accounts will be included in a note which will be published in March next explaining the budget estimates of Government for 1942-43. In the meanwhile, it may be stated that the accounts show a revenue surplus of Rs. 87 1/2 lakhs.

Inter-School Swimming Sports

BAJI PATEL AND AJIT MEHTA SHARE HONOURS

The Victoria Swimming Bath was packed on Sunday morning with sports fans of all ages and keenness and enthusiasm of the competitors and their supporters all went to make a very successful fixtures. This was a second annual function and it is hoped to improve the standard of the aquatics which if properly fostered will give Bombay its champions of the future.

Ajit C. Mehta (St. Teresa High School) and Burjor N. Patel (Fort and Proprietory High School) were to the fore on Sunday morning, both lads are really good swimmers. The School championship was won by the St. Teresa High School.

At the close of the morning's programme H.H. the Maharana, Shree Vijayadevji of Dharampur presented the cups awarded by Messrs. Golvala Brothers to the competitors earning distinction.

Results:—

50 metres under 10 Free Style:—1. Buhariwalla 5. B. (St. Xavier's) 48 2/5 Sec., 2. W. Buhariwalla H. B. 3. S. Mehta (St. Teresa).

50 metres under 14. Free Style:—1. Mehta A. C. (St. Teresa) 36 Sec. 2. Battiwalla, P. H. 3. Bharucha N. (Don Bosco).

100 metres under 10 (Free Style:—1. Mehta S. C., (St. Teresa) 2 mn. 13 3/5 Sec. 2. Buhariwalla T. B., (St. Xavier).

100 metres under 14 Free Style:—1. Mehta A. C., (St Teresa) 1 mn. 50 1/5 Sec. 2. Mehta D C. (St. Teresa), 3. Bharucha N. D., (Don Bosco) 2 mn. 49 Sec.

100 metres Free Style Open:—1. Patel B. N. (Fort and Prop.) 1 mn. 22 Sec. 2. Thanawaila K. R. and Mistry R. B (St. Xavier's).

200 metres under 14 Free Style:—Mehta A. C. (St. Teresa) 4 mn. 23 Sec., 2. Mistry J. D 4 mn. 24 Sec, and 3 Sethna N. (St. Teresa).

100 metres Open:—Cooper P. S., (Bharda New High). 1. Patel B. N. (Fort and Prop) 1 mn. 44 3/5 Sec. 2. Mistry R. B. 1 mn. 54.

200 Metres Free Style open:—1. Patel B. N. (Fort and Prop.) 3. mn. 18 2/5. 2. Mistry R B. (St Xavier's) 3. 2/5 Sec. 3. S. Sorabjee (Nairobi) 3. 53 Sec.

"SCHOOL CHILDREN'S HEALTH DAY"

Appeal To Parents To Co-operate With Municipality

The children of to-day were the citizens of to-morrow and the question of their health, therefore, should be the main concern of civic authorities, said Mr. S. K. Patil, speaking at the celebration of the Municipal School Children's Health Day, held under the auspices of the Public Health Department at Glider Tank on Sunday afternoon.

Dr. Mrs. Malinibai Sukhtankar presided.

Mr. Patil requested the municipal authorities and the parents of the municipal school children to build up a future generation which would be healthier and promising.

The Executive Health Officer of the Bombay Municipality Dr. Das Gupta addressing the gathering exhorted the parents to co-operate with the city's health authorities in maintaining the steady development in the health of school children. For this purpose, he said an elementary knowledge of hygiene was necessary.

Dr. Mrs. Sukhtankar, in the course of her presidential remarks observed that the municipal authorities had been doing their best to look after the general health of school children under their care. Dr. Das Gupta had further stimulated the activities of the Health Department in connection with the children's health.

"SUPERFLUOUS"

Replying to the criticism that milk rations to municipal school children had been stopped by the authorities she said that the scheme did not yield the results that were expected and hence was superfluous. The municipality she remarked had to devote its attention to various other burning problems.

Concluding she pleaded for the co-operation of the public and parents in particular with the civic authorities.

Among the others who spoke at the function were Messrs. H. G. Anjaria, Abdul Latif Curtay and Dr. V. R. Bhoosrath.

LORRY OWNERS AND PETROL RATIONING

Bombay Association's Protest

BOMBAY, Sunday.

The 3rd Annual General Meeting of the Bombay Lorry Owners' Association was held today at the Cama Oriental Institute, with Mr. K. F. Nariman in the chair.

The following is the personnel of the new Managing Committee.

Mr. K. F. Nariman, President, Mr. J. J. Mistry and Mr. D. N. Shroff are Vice-Presidents. Messrs. Rajpal and Rajpal, Hon. Secretaries, Ratanshaw Pestanji, Secretary, H. C. Agarwal, Joint Secretary.

The following are extracts from the President's speech:—

This year your principal grievance that will call for all your energy and attention is the question of petrol rationing.

It would be a great mistake on the part of the Authorities to treat the heavy transport service on the same basis as private luxury cars. None would complain if superfluous trips and luxury rides are curtailed or even absolutely cut off in these difficult days, but not those transports which are rendering essential and important service to the society. It must be treated on a par with such public services as the Municipal and P.W.D., whereas we regret to find that the rationing allowed to this heavy transport is calculated even at lesser rates than the stage carriages or other public conveyances like the taxis. It will be the duty of this conference to impress this point of view on the authorities concerned, so as to remove this legitimate grievance.

In view of this uncertainty and deficiency of petrol supply particularly in times of emergency, it is quite essential that after proper scientific research and experiments, a suitable substitute should be discovered, that can serve the same purpose as petrol. This substitute must be cheap, efficient and harmless, so as not to cause any damage to the engines and the machines.

Lecture On Arabic Literature

BOMBAY, Sunday.

Shamsul-Ulema Dr. U. M. Daudpota, the Director of Public Instruction, Sind delivered the first of a series of 6 Wilson Philological lectures on Arabic Literature, at the University Lecture Theatre, Dr. Bazlul Rehman, Prncipal of Ismail College presided.

The lecturer dealt with the political setting and the next which is scheduled for the 11th, will deal with "Social and Cultural life in Muslim Spain".

S. K. Patil Congratulated

To congratutlate Mr. S. K. Patil on his unanimous election as leader of the Congress Party in the Bombay Municipal Corporation a meeting of the Kudal Desakar Gaud Brahmin Community was held at Topiwalla Charity's Niwas, Girgaum, Bombay on Sunday afternoon.

S. S. Naik presided and among those who paid tributes to the services of Mr. Patil, were Messrs. Ajgaonkar, M. N. Desai and Mr. P. R. Lele.

Mr. Patil speaking on the occasion appealed to the youth of the community to devote themselvs for the services of the nation.

Gazala Still In British Hands

Three Enemy Generals Killed & 140 Axis Lorries Destroyed In Libya

Gazala (Libya) is still in British hands, stated authoritative military quarters in London on Sunday.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

Rome and Berlin claimed yesterday to have occupied Gazala, which is on the coast road thirty miles west of Tobruk.

Cairo Communique

CAIRO:—Sunday's 'communique' from the British G.H.Q. says: "In Cyrenaica our patrols and mobile columns operated over a wide area west and south-west of our front about Gazala without engaging any important bodies of the enemy. Meanwhile our fighters continued their protective sweeps over our own forward troops, while our bombers again successfully attacked enemy targets in Jebel Akdar and on enemy lines of communication in the rear."

An R.A.F. 'communique' states: In raids on mobile columns on the roads between Slonta and Martuba and in the El-Tmimi area a number of motor transport vehicles were extensively damaged.

During the night of Friday, February 6, enemy motorised units in the Jedabaya region were bombed but heavy clouds obscured the results of the raid.

MALTA RAIDS

In the course of enemy raids on Malta during yesterday, February 7, Messerschmitt 109 was shot down by anti-aircraft gunfire.

From these operations four of our aircraft are missing.

140 AXIS LORRIES DESTROYED

One hundred and forty enemy vehicles, including transport lorries, staff cars, petrol tankers and wireless vans were destroyed in Libya between January 26 and February 5 by "ground strafing" pilots of the R.A.F., it is officially stated in Cairo. These pilots have been described by German prisoners as "ferocious and fearless as devils."

ENEMY GENERALS KILLED.

LONDON.—Names of three German Generals killed in the fighting in Africa, presumably since the start of General Auchinleck's offensive, are given by the Rome radio. They are Von Pritwiz, Sommermann and Filkoff. An Italian general named BorsareHi is also said to have been killed.

In North Africa the Berlin 'communique' says there was patrol activity on both sides.—Reuter.

Prof. Wadia On "Students And Their Ideals"

Speaking on "Students and their Ideals", at Gujarati Forbes Hall, on Sunday, Prof. P. A. Wadia stated that the present situation was difficult and gloomy and the whole system was a vicious circle.

In his opinion, youth was a time of ideals, of dreaming, of romance and always fired with enthusiasm. But in this age of Commerce, the Society expected from educational institutions a crop of "employables" and the educational system, overridden by examinations consisting on cramming text-books, supplied the need. The potentialities of youth were, therefore, not exploited.

The world which was drifting, which was planless, which was losing its sense of religion and which believed in slaughter of thousands of men every day, found its reflection in its educational institutions which it promoted. The liberty to experiment with the present educational institutions, so that the students might imbibe new influences was, therefore, necessary.

Dr. G. N. Lawande presided.

Nazi 'Autobahn' Expert Dead

BERLIN, Feb. 8.

Dr. Todt, motor road expert, was killed in an aeroplane accident while carrying out military duties.

He was fifty years old. Hitler has ordered a State Funeral. Dr. Todt was also responsible for building the "Atlantic Fortifications."

FAREWELL TO MENDOCA

A farewell in honour of Rt. Rev. Monsignor Bernard Francis Mendoca at the Instituto Luso-Indiano was held on Sunday evening when glowing tributes were paid by colleagues and prominent members of the community who knew him.

WATCHMAN MURDERED

BOMBAY, Sunday.

On Sunday morning in the early hours a murder was committed in Khetwadi area and there were several stabbings.

Dukhisingh Udesingh (50) a night watchman belonging to Noble and Sons a soda water factory, at Khetwadi Main Road, was alleged to have been murdered and four others stabbed with knives by some persons before dawn.

It is stated that the alleged murderers entered into the building where the factory is situated apparently with intent to commit theft. The watchman attempted to apprehend them, when one of the intruders is alleged to have stabbed him with a knife. The victim is said to have succumbed on the spot.

Footpath-sleepers and others who were in the vicinity heard the noise and rushed to the rescue but in the melee that ensued, it is alleged the thieves got away after stabbing four.

The injured persons were removed to the J. J. Hospital for treatment, where the condition of one of the victims is said to be serious.

The Maharbouri police have arrested the alleged assailant. His alleged accomplice is, it is learnt, still at large.

"Hubli Gazette"

The fourth 'birthday' number of the "Hubli Gazette" is replete with instructive articles on civic affairs by various prominent persons well-versed in practical handling of matters connected with Municipalities and local bodies. Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, Messrs. S. Satyamurti, R. K. Sidhwa, Pt. Taranath have contributed interesting articles and many heads of local bodies in Karnatak have written on various aspects of management and reform of self-governing institution, both Indian and foreign. During the course of the past year Dr. N. S. Hardikar had to turn the "Gazette" from a fortnightly, into a weekly, which shows its popularity among Karnatak public.

Western India Tennis

On Sunday in the Western India Tennis Championships, Pandit beat Bobjee, Man Mohan beat Charanjiva and Ghaus had a couple of easy matches.

The day's results are:—

MIXED DOUBLES:—Ghaus Mohomed and Mrs. Massy beat Miss. L. Merchant and Rajkumar of Jath 6-4, 6-2. Miss K. Haji and Mr. V. Bobjee beat Miss J. Moir and O. Sutton. Mrs. W. A. Bell and R. F. Stroud Mrs. Mrs. Webb and A. H. Hazzell, 6-1, 6-1.

Gents' SINGLES:—R. N. Pandit beat M. V. Bobjee 6-4, 6-0. Man Mohan beat Charanjiva 6-3, 6-1. Ghaus Mohomed beat D. N. Cooper 6-2, 6-2. F. Bekkevold beat J. M. Kantawalla 6-2, 6-4. A. E. Owen beat G. D. Bhagat 6-3, 6-0. K. Christidas beat Hardwarilal 1-6, 9-7, 6-3. Prem Pandhi beat Rajkumar of Jath 6-1, 6-2. N. Balaram W. O. B. G. Ghate, N. D. Sethna beat J. P. Pocha 6-0, 6-4. S. M. Samant beat J. Bodhey 7-5, 7-5. C. M. Khatau beat K. L. Mirchandani 7-5, 6-4. J. R. Sanghani beat P. K. Zaveri 1-6, 9-7, 6-4. N. Mohanlal beat T. B. Bose 6-4, 6-4. Shamsersingh W. O. S. R. Gokhale Harnarilal W. O. Kasikumar of Wankaner.

GENTS' DOUBLES:—I. N. Lalice and K. H. Kapadia beat H. H. Gaekwar of Baroda and G. D. Bhagat 7-5, 3-6, 6-4; J. E. Tew and F. Bekkevold W. O. P. M. Patel and S. A. Sheth, A. H. Hazzel and Mr. D. Ryann beat Hardwarilal and Malkani 6-0, 6-1 Man Mohan and Prem Pandhi beat A. R. V. Peermohomed and Prince Khanderao of Baroda 6-1, 6-4. Hardwarilal and Malkani beat S. B. Potdar and B. C. Shah 6-0, 6-0.

UP GUJRAT MAIL TO STOP AT BORIVLI: Consequent upon the cancellation of th Kaethiawar and Delhi Express Trains suburban passengers coming to Bombay have been experiencing great hardship in detraining at Dadar and then going back to their respective suburbs. Correspondence was entered into with the Chief Traffic Manager of the B. B. & C. I. Railway and it is now proposed to stop the Up Gujrat Mail at Borivli for two minutes on trial from the 12th instant.

Besides making a saving of time varying from 10 minutes to one hour and a half in the important early hours of the day the suburban passengers would be saved the trouble and expense of changing platforms overbridge at Dadar with their packages. At Borivli they will get the local train on the same platform if on the other side of it.

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WHO DOES?
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AND ONE CAN NEVER LEARN TOO MUCH!
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FRONT DOOR
THIS LITTLE PIGGY WENT TO MARKET! THIS LITTLE PIGGY STAYED HOME THIS LITTLE PIGGY WAS A BOOGIE WOOGILY PIGGY AND HE BOOGIE-WOOGIED ALL THE WAY HOME!
HEP HEP
BACK

TRADE AND SPECULATIVE BUYING IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET

Cotton Not To Remain Under Parity

GOVERNMENT OFFERS 3,00,000 BALES

Bombay, February 7.

It is now announced that the disposal of Government-owned cotton would not keep prices below parity.

There was trade and Wall-St. buying and short covering on Friday on the New York Cotton Exchange induced by Mr. Henderson's remarks that Government disposal of holdings would not keep prices below parity and official announcement that higher premiums would be paid for long staple.

The recovery attracted increased Southern offerings, profit-taking and local selling in sympathy with the Stock Market.

The Commodity Credit Corporation announced offerings of 300 thousand bales during February at sellers' call to the highest bidder based on New York May Future.

The United States Department of Agriculture states that cotton acreage in 1942 will be around 25 million acres.

The New York Cotton Exchange Service points out that in the last five years planted acreage had fallen short of the total allotted, Texas being the largest offender, but present prices are very attractive together with crop insurance scheme and parity guarantee.

According to "Daily News Record" farmers intend to plant 24,597,000 acres compared with last year's official 23,619,000.

The Cotton market shows disposition to await the outcome of the agreement between Messrs. Wickard and Henderson for stabilising living costs, but the present large demand for textile is a sustaining factor.

The New York cotton market opened at a rise of 4 pts with March 18.49 and advanced to 18.59, which was the highest level, there after there was increased selling and March declined to 18.35, which was the lowest level. The market closed at a net rise of 8 pts to a decline of 3 pts. Spot cotton prices advanced 10 pts. at 20.07c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet and closed at a net decline of 1 to 3 pts. Spot cotton prices declined 2 pts at 19.13c per lb.

LOCAL SITUATION

Messrs. Anandilal Podar and Co. state:—Yesterday local market opened somewhat steadier on Press reports of the forthcoming Central Government scheme to buy short staple cotton but the conditions in the spot market almost verging on disgust and unrelieving critical war news from Singapore and Rangoon resulted in heavy liquidation touching new low level. Apart from the fact of low prices which dissuaded free selling, reports from Gujarat giving the sharp discount in spot basis and smaller offtake coupled with the gradually increasing local stock, the buyers seemed apathetic. Finally the market closed quietly steady on scattered bull support. The market still continues in the doldrum and only heartening war news can lift it up.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York March highest 18.59+14 (10-17 a.m.); lowest 18.35—10 (1-45 p.m.)

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Trade and speculative buying Undertone steady.

THE BOMBAY YARN EXCHANGE
HEDGE CONTRACT RATES
BOMBAY: February 7.

Yarn No.	February	April	June
6 1/2s	210	218	217
10 1/2s	239	238	237
20 1/2s	363	325	320
40s	530	525	520

NEW YORK COTTON
NEW YORK, February 7.

	Today's Closing.
March	18.44
May	18.59
July	Mutilated
Middling Spot	20.01

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
NEW YORK, February 7.

March	18.47
May	18.64
July	18.74
Middling Spot	19.1

LONDON EXCHANGE

ToTo London On:—

New York 4.02 1/2 sellers 4.03 1/2 Buyers.

Madrid 40.5 Official 46.55 Voluntary Rate.

Montreal 4.43 Sellers 4.47 Buyers.

Zurich 17.3 Sellers, 17.4 Buyers.

Stockholm 16-85 Sellers 16.95 Buyers.

American Cotton Weekly Statistics

New York: Feb. 6

	Season to-date 1940/41	This Season	Week 1941.	Week 1940/41
Forwarded to American mills including other American (excluding linters)	5,944	247	5,536	228
Stocks at U. S. Ports	—	3,274	—	3,473
Receipts at U. S. Ports	3,013	160	2,786	62
Certificated stocks 57.				

N.B All n bales 000's omitted.

COTTON-ROOM RATES

Bombay: February 7

	Extra Spr.	fine.	Sup.	Fine	F.G.	Good
M G Bengal U P		130	127	124	121	
M G Punjab		130	127	124	121	
M G Rajputana		136	133	130	127	
M G Oomra No. 3	153	150	147	144		
M G C. P. No. 1	189	186	183	180		
M G C. P. No. 2	166	163	160	157		

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay: February 7.

	Old.	Ready	Feb.
Bengal Fine	110/13	127/30	.....
Berar	120/25	150/62	.....
C. P. 1	145/50	180/82	.....
C. P. 2	118/20	160/62	.....
Khandesh	90/95	115/20	.....
Mugpai	95/102	125/28	Fine
Broach	120/25	.....	—10
Broach Low	90/100	.....	.....

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay: February 7

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

In full-pressed bales.	Yesterday.	This year.	Since 1st Septr. Last year
Khandesh	976	45,457	64,237
Central India		15,492	65,486
Barsi and Nagar	365	35,789	62,772
Hyderabad/Gaorani		6,681	20,838
Berar	2,523	121,100	212,732
Central Provinces	511	85,181	37,335
Total Comras	4,373	281,670	463,388
Dholeras		19,806	30,552
N.-W. Provinces		1,021	926
Rajputana		378	2,704
Sind-Punjab	3,723	281,316	271,937
Broach	844	53,763	14,154
Coompta and Dharwar	99	6,577	28,226
Westerns-Northerns		6,137	29,392
Cocanada			239
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		8,690	522
Total	9,041	627,268	842,120
Arrived by road to 5th Feb. 1942		72,500	132,280

Revenue From Energy Sales

Messrs. Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Limited, Agents for the following three Hydro-Electric Companies, report that the revenue from energy sales (subject to adjustment) of the said Companies for the month of January 1942 and for the seven months ended 31st January 1942 were as compared with the corresponding periods of the previous financial year:—

	For the month of Jan. 1941
Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 3,05,101
Andhra Valley Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 4,33,699
Tata Power Co., Ltd.	Rs. 7,11,810
Total	Rs. 14,50,610

	For the month of Jan. 1942.
Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs 3,39,082
Andhra Valley Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 4,80,406
Tata Power Co., Ltd.	Rs. 8,07,197
Total	Rs. 16,26,685

	For financial year upto Jan. 31, 1941
Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co. Ltd.	Rs. 20,94,478
Andhra Valley Power Supply Co. Ltd.	Rs. 28,91,577
Tata Power Co. Ltd.	Rs. 45,24,315
Total	Rs. 95,10,370

	For current financial year upto Jan 31, 1942
Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 23,22,914
Andhra Valley Power Supply Co., Ltd.	Rs. 32,91,769
Tata Power Co., Ltd.	Rs. 54,65,621
Total	Rs. 1,11,00,304

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay: February 7.

	1941/42	1940/41
F P Bales.		
Receipts to date 5-2-42	3012000	2767000
Receipts yesterday 6-2-42	55000	22000
Export to date 19-12-41		585000
Stock at Ports 30-1-42	3290000	3471000
Stock at interior towns 9-1-42		3393000
Quantity in sight 19-12-41		6908000

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay: February 7

Wheat May	0 6 9
Linseed May	0 11 0
Groundnut May	4 2 0
Castorseed May	3 8 0
Cottonseed May	1 14 0
Silver 2nd settlement	0 14 0
Gold 2nd settlement	1 0 0

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay: February 7.

868 bags pepper; 599 bags ginger; 110 bags cocoanuts; 1104 bags copra; 193 bags tapioca seeds; 193 bags boiler composition; 50 bags gum; 940 bags betelnuts; 38 bags kolingen; 29 bags empty glass bottles; 256 bs strawboards; 103 bales rubber goods; 224 bs old newspapers; 100 bales cotton waste; 68 bales ply twine; 47 bags moulders composition; 96 coils manila rope; 492 tins rubber latex; 183 cases prepared tobacco; 168 bundles canes; 173 pkgs sewing machines; 1199 sti dms linseed oil; 115 pkgs scrap rubber; 43 bundles coir mats; 514 bundles rubber; 50 cases pine apples; 89 pkgs banslocham; 450 bundles cassia; 90 cases cowries; 3358 bales gunny bags; 1336 bales hessain cloth; 50 cases crepe rubber.

EXPORTS

13 bales hides tanned P E Boyce and Co; 550 bales cotton waste clean Manubhai Narotamdas and Co; 3280 bags groundnuts Louis Dreyfus and Co Ltd; 47 bags fish maws Sultania Trading Agency; 26 bags fish maws Lalji Dewraj and Co; 12 bags fish maws H A Mahomed and Sons; 13 bags turmeric fingers D Abraham and Sons; 500 bales hemp raw H K Kesharwalla; 4000 tons manganese ore James Finlay and Co Ltd; 60 bales cotton peegoods Hariram Khiaram; 30 casks wooden staves The Asbestos and Belting Co Ltd; 27 bags coriander seed A Virji and Co.

ON THE AIR

MONDAY 9TH FEBRUARY

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

4-30 p.m. For Indian Troops in the Far-East. 5 Ghazni aur Geet. 5-15 Usman Khan. 5-35 Alap Purbi on Violin. 5-45 Folk songs by Tamancha Jan 6-15 Dulari Bai. 6-30 Our Defence Line. 3: Talk in Hindustani. 6-45 For villagers only. 7-45 It has happened or Puria on Esraj. 7-50 Karim Khan. 8 Zohra Bai. 8-15 Love Letters. 1: Talk 8-30 Your Favourites. 8-45 Dholak ke Geet. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 Usman Khan. 9-55 Listening Post: Talk relayed from B B C. 10 Dulari Bai. 10-15 Karim Khan. 10-30 Tamancha Jan.

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

8 a.m. Gat on Sitar. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-25 Mumtaz Begam. 8-40 S. Parsekar: Violin. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Venu Bai Dewasthali. 9-25 Dhun Gunkali on Jaltarang. 9-35 G.M. Khasgiwale. 12-30 p.m. Bhajans 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 String music. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 Lunch hour music. 4-15 School Broadcast. 5 To-mor row. 5-5 G.M. Khasgiwale. 5-25 Mumtaz Begam. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 Waman Rao Sadolikar. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Instrumental duet. 6-20 Local news and announcements in English 6-25 Same in Hindustani. 6-30 Nana Ani Mani: Children's programme in Marathi. 7 Berlin-na Samachar: Talk in Gujarati. 7-15 Vinu Bai Dewasthali 7-30 Waman Rao Sadolikar. 7-45 News commentary in Marathi. 7-50 A I R News commentary in Marathi. 8 News in Bhajan Mandali. 8 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-30 Sports Review, by Mr. A. A. Peerbhoy. 8-45 K. M. Ahmed's talk (E.) on "N.E. India's". 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 War Commentary. 9-55 Listening Post. 10 Sant Ramdas. 10-20 Mumtaz Begam. 10-30 Waman Rao Sadolikar.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 Waman Rao Sadolikar. 8-25 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 Recitations from Hindustani poems. 9 Surdasji Bhajan. 9-10 to 10 As in Bombay 1. 12-30 to 2-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1.

51.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

4-15 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Thumri Tilang. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 to 8 As in Bombay 1. 8 Mumtaz Begam. 8-15 G. M. Khasgiwale. 8-30 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 A I R Orchestra. 9-10 Marathi Pad. 9-20 Gujarati Geet. 9-30 Grace Belcourt: Violin. 9-45 Tony De Souza: Tenor. 10 Tuna Portuguesa with Sonia De Gouvera Pinto. 10-30 Hilda Flanders: Entertainer.

RAMDAS SAINT POET OF MAHARASHTRA

In a world torn with strife and discontent, Saint Ramdas the Saint Poet of Maharashtra, preached practical religion to the Maharashtra of Shivaji's days. A.I.R. Bombay will pay homage to this saint's memory by presenting a feature written by C. Y. Kale of Malegaon on his life to-day (Monday) at 10 p.m. and a talk on his teachings by Mr Shanker Rao Dev on Tuesday the 10th February at 7 p.m.

ADDRESS AND PURSE FOR SAVARKAR

Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the Hindu Mahasabha was the recipient of an address and puree from the people of Zoaba's Wadi yesterday. A sum of Rs. 101 for the Hindu Sanghatan and a sum of Rs. 41 for the Hindu Mabasabha were presented to him and speeches of welcome were made by Srimatis R. Ainapure, S. Saptarshi R. Sabnis and S. Kavaneikar. Mr. Savarkar thanked the organisers in a brief speech and stressed the need for discipline and union among the Hindus.

REAL MEANING OF ISLAM

"Practical Working Programme Of World's Noblest Thoughts"

Presiding over a mass meeting of the city Muslims held under the joint auspices of 125 Muslim Societies at Mohamedali Road on Saturday night Maulana Shah Abdul Alim Sahib of Siddiqui explained the motive behind the martyrdom of Hazrat Imam Husein. The Maulana tried to point out that Imam Husein through his sacrifice wanted to convince the world that Islam could stand the test of all trials and tribulations.

The speaker said that every year during the 'Moharrum' Muslims all over the world celebrated the death anniversary of Imam Husein. However they followed merely the shadows, and the underlying significance of Imam Husein's unparalleled sacrifices was ignored.

Continuing, the speaker said that the world hadn't yet realised what Islam was. Islam, said the speaker, was not the name of a few hymns or a few religious practices but was the name of a practical working programme based on some of the best and noblest thoughts of human mind. That programme had stood the ravages of time. The laws of 'Jamat' on the other hand were founded on selfish motives—a reason why they could not stand the test of time and required frequent changes. That was why, said the speaker, that the prophet had commanded man to bow to God only, and not to any man.

Imam Husein had practised Islam in its full perspective, and through his sacrifice he showed that Islam could stand the test of all trials and tribulations with which a man is faced in this world.

Khan Saheb M. Dadachanji speaking next said that if they were all to cultivate the same spirit of sacrifice as that of Imam Husein much of the evil of the world would disappear and many a difficult problem would be solved. He pleaded for the cultivation of such spirit.

The meeting dispersed late at night.

Organized Protection Measures At Vile Parle

(From Our Correspondent.)

VILE PARLE, Feb. 7.

A meeting of the prominent residents of Vile Parle was held on Friday evening under the presidentship of Mr. Bhide, President of Vile Parle District Congress Committee, when Syt. Pranlal Sunderdas put forward a scheme to be adopted in the time of emergency for the protection of Civil Population.

The scheme as adopted is as follows:

The area of Vile Parle to be divided into centres of 25 houses and sub-centres of 10 houses; selecting at least one house in the sub-centre wherein, the first aid implements and other necessities would be preserved, each sub-centre having a sub-leader responsible to the Central Executive Defence Committee through the leader of the centre.

Weekly meetings will be held in each centre in a notified house, to explain the measures to be taken and the working of the scheme in details.

The central executive committee will

Calcutta Women And Defence Services

CALCUTTA, Feb. 7.

The decision to play their part in the Defence services of the town and the province in the present emergency situation, was taken at the first general meeting of the Calcutta Branch of the All-India Women's Conference held to-day.

The meeting decided to send representatives to the Auxiliary Nursing Service if and when called to do so. It further decided to help in A. R. P. work of the city.

The Committee discussed the plan of action for the year 1942 which includes the continuation of the Balmandir and the Harijan Night School.—A.P.

DEFENCE COUNCILLORS VISIT KHYBER PASS

PESHAWAR, Feb. 7.

India's defensive arrangements on the North-Western Frontier have greatly impressed members of the Defence Council who to-day completed their visit to Peshawar and the Khyber Pass.

In an interview to the press to-night, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta said, "We had a nice, strenuous and instructive time. I will return to Delhi better informed about the defence problems of the country than before.—A.P.

Death Of Late Dr. Ansari's Sister

DELHI, Friday.

The mother of Dr. Shaukatullah Shah Ansari and the sister of late Dr. M. A. Ansari, died of heart failure yesterday at 10 a.m. at the age of 70. She had been ailing for a long time.

The funeral procession which started after 10 p.m. from the residence of Dr. Shaukatullah Shah Ansari was attended among others by Mr. Asaf Ali. The burial took place in the Baqi Billa graveyard near Qutab Road. Great sympathy is felt with Dr. Shaukatullah Ansari and Begum Zohra Ansari in their bereavement. Among those who called on Dr. Ansari were Khan Bahadur Allah Bux, Premier of Sind and President of the All-India Azad Muslim Conference, of which Dr. S. S. Ansari is the Secretary.—"Hindustan Times."

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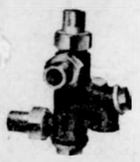

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SARDAR'S APPEAL TO GIRGAUM-CHOWPATTY ELECTORATE

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel has issued the following appeal to the voters of Girgaum-Chowpatty Constituency—

A contest has been forced on the Congress in the Municipal by-election. A number of Corporators belonging to the Municipal Congress Party courted jail by offering Satyagraha when the Congress ordered them to do so. All of them would have lost their seats in the Municipality if they were detained in jails for more than one year.

Shri Bhawanji A. Khimji and Shri Nagindas T. Master had to lose their seats because Government chose to keep them in detention for more than a year.

In the case of Bhawanjibhai, the Indian Merchants' Chamber, which was his Constituency, sent him back to the Corporation without a contest and thus set a correct example. The same example should have been followed in the case of Shri Nagindas T. Master. Instead, he has been compelled to go through the ordeal of a by-election. The voters of his Constituency have thus been forced to answer a challenge which, I am certain, they will do with credit to themselves and to the Institution of which Shri Nagindas is a representative.

NACINDAS' SERVICES

Shri Nagindas T. Master has served the Municipal Corporation for many years and has used his mature experience for the good of the City. He has suffered for the country and has loyally served the Congress for many years. He had captured the seat in the General election. The seat is his. He lost it for country's cause. He must be restored to it. That is the moral obligation and national duty of every voter in this Constituency.

I earnestly appeal to the voters to cast away indifference and idleness, go to the booth to-morrow (Tuesday), without waiting for conveyance and other facilities, and vote for Shri Nagindas T. Master. I have no doubt that the voters will do their duty."

GIRGAUM-CHOWPATTY CONSTITUENCY: The General Secretaries of the B. P. C. C. write:

The Municipal by-election in the Girgaum-Chowpatty (Division No. 9) Constituency where Congress has nominated Shri Nagindas T. Master as its candidate takes place to-morrow (Tuesday). From inquiries that are made at the Congress House we gather that many voters in this Division do not know the exact delimitation of this Constituency. For the information of all voters we give below the boundaries of this Constituency:

The Girgaum-Chowpatty Division is comprised of that portion of Girgaum Ward, which is roughly surrounded by Thakurdwar Road on the South, Vithalbhai Patel Road on the East, Harvey Road on the North and the Chowpatty Sea Face on the West.

MORE SUPPORT TO NAGINDAS MASTER

Vigorous canvassing is being conducted by rival candidates for the bye-election from the Girgaum-Chaupatty Ward.

The election is to come off on Tuesday next, between 7-30 a.m. and 6-30 p.m. at the Gowalia Tank Maidan.

The vacancy was caused by the detention of Mr. Nagindas T. Master. He was released one day after the completion of one year. If he had been released a day earlier he may not have lost his seat at all.

This circumstance has been accepted by the Congress-minded public as a challenge to re-elect him. In this connection an appeal has been issued by Mr. C. M. Patil, a merchant of Duncan Road and also by Mr. John B. Pinto of the Konkani Catholic Sangati Mandal and Mr. Francis J. Martrist of Ghat Mission Catholic Association, supporting Mr. Nagindas Master.

M. P. C. C. Resolutions

NATIONAL DEMAND ENDORSED

Civic Defence Corps To Be Organised

POONA, Feb. 8.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the M.P.C.C. last evening, Mr. N. V. Gadgil presiding, endorsed the resolution on the National Demand passed by the All-India Congress Committee at Wardha on Jan. 16.

The Committee resolved to organise civic defence crops in all towns and villages in Maharashtra, to protect public life and property from air attacks or other contingencies incidental to war The organisations will not obstruct official efforts in similar directions.

The Committee held that Congress committees should not participate in civic elections as they would be required to direct their energies towards helping the public in difficulties and alleviating the sufferings of those in distress consequent on the war.

By another resolution the Committee expressed its deep dissatisfaction at the attitude of the Government in keeping under continued detention about 21 political workers belinging to Maharashtra, and appealed to the Government either to prove their guilt by an open inquiry into their cases, or else to release them unconditionally.

Thirteen members out of 17 were present at the meeting.

Mr. B. G. Kher, is expected to address the M.P.C.C. this evening. --A. P.

Dr. Chhabildas Master Dead

The "Bombay Chronicle" regrets to announce the death of Dr. Chhabildas T. Master, elder brother of Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Vice-President of the B. P. C. C., at Santa Cruz on Sunday morning. He was aged 78 at the time of his death.

B. P. C. C.'S CONDOLENCE

The General Secretaries, of the B. P. C. C. write:

It is with deep sorrow that we have learnt of the sad death of Dr. Chhabildas T. Master elder brother of Shri Nagindas T. Master, at his son's residence at Santa Cruz in the early hours of Sunday, February 8. Dr. Chhabildas was in his 78th year and succumbed to cancer, which he had developed three years back. The disease took a turn for the worse some three months back when Shri Nagindas was still in jail.

Dr. Chhabildas had always led an active life. A man of successful medical practice he gave himself, in his young days to social reform and national service. He was a venerated leader of his community (Lad Bania) to which he rendered valuable services. He had a passion for national service and he was a staunch Congress supporter. He leaves behind him a large family to mourn his death.

His elder brother's death at this time must naturally put immense strain on the mind of Shri Nagindas T. Master who is contesting a Municipal by-election only to-morrow (Tuesday). We sincerely assure Shri. Nagindas, the Vice-President of the B. P. C. C., that all Congressmen in Bombay and his numerous other friends besides, share his grief and will endeavour to make it lighter. We extend our heartfell condolence to the bereaved family.

The "Uthamana Ceremony will take place to-day (Monday) at 5-30 p. m. (S. T.) at Anand Bhuwan (Kanji Karson's Bangalow) Ghodbunder Road, Santa Cruz.

A. I. C. C.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PROVINCES

Carry Out Survey And Collect Statistics

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 8.

Reminding all the Provincial Congress Committees of the instructions issued by the A.I.C.C. for implementing the Congress constructive programme, Acharya J. B. Kripalani, General Secretary of the Congress, says that in order to record the progress of work from month to month, the Provincial Congress Committee should carry out a survey. In particular, the General Secretary has suggested the collection of statistics from each district under (for example) the following heads:—

The number and strength of Congress Committee working in the district; constructive centres organised by Congressmen in Rural and Urban areas; village where there are no Congress committees functioning or are without active congressmen; number of spinners apart from professionals; special difficulties which the district is experiencing in organising spinning, carding, weaving etc., and whether cotton is locally cultivated, crops sown in the district and proportion of food crops to money crops, the general economic condition of the people especially peasantry, and special facilities from any handicraft, social and economic condition of Harijans and the number of Harijan Congress workers in the District, Hindu Muslim relations, other minorities such as Christians, Sikhs, etc., any volunteers uniformed or otherwise and their work etc.

The General Secretary has also asked Provincial Congress Committee for the total number of Satyagrahis still in jail in the province and the total number of other political prisoners in jail.—A. P.

Congress And Allied Organisations

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 8.

The General Secretary of the Congress, Acharya J. B. Kripalani has suggested to all the provincial committees that the executive of every P.C.C. should invite the secretaries of allied Congress organisations in the province such as the secretaries of the provincial branch of the A.I.S.A. the A.I.V.I.A. the All-India Harijan Sangh, the All-India Talimi Sangh etc., to their meetings. The P.C.C.S. says Acharya Kripalani, will find the presence of these secretaries helpful in chalking out their own scheme of constructive activity.

Acharya Kripalani points out that the Congress President Maulana Azad is in agreement with this suggestion and the U.P.C.C. has already adopted it.—A. P.

Narendra Deo At Poona

(From Our Correspondent.)

POONA, Feb. 7.

Acharya Narendra Deo Congress Socialist leader arrived this noon from Ahmednagar where he is staying under medical advice.

He will address members of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Socialist Party who have here to review political situation and chalk out programme for the province.

"Harijan" Articles For "Hindustan"

LUCKNOW, Feb. 8.

It has been arranged to publish simultaneously in "Hindustan", a Urdu weekly of Lucknow, Mahatma Gandhi's articles published in the "Harijan." Mahatma Gandhi has accorded his permission.—A. P.

Aid To Soviet

INDIAN BALLET TO RAISE FUNDS

Cripps Congratulates Miss Sen Gupta

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Feb. 8.

"My heartiest congratulations on the good work done by your committee for aid to the Soviet Union. The close friendship between a free India, which I hope will emerge from the war, and a victorious Soviet Union will be of greatest value to mankind"

Thus wrote Sir Stafford Cripps to Miss Lachmi Sen Gupta.

Miss Sen Gupta, 18, under-graduate of the Bedford College for Women and member of the India Committee for Aid to Soviet Union, gave an Indian Devadasi ballet dance in Cambridge to raise funds for Soviet aid. She said: "I am doing my bit to help the Soviet cause as I believe sincerely that we must establish solidarity with the Soviet Union with whose victory India's destiny is so closely bound up."

Miss Sen Gupta is giving three dance performances in London late this month. It is learnt that the Soviet Ambassador M. Maisky and Madame Maisky have consented to be present on that occasion.

Indian students all over Britain are enthusiastically collecting money for Soviet help. At Cambridge, Mr. T. Basu said that £100 have already been collected and they expect to raise the sum to £250.—United Press.

AXIS SUBMARINES IN U. S. COASTAL WATERS!

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.

A Navy Department "communique" on the situation up to 12-00 E.S.T. in addition to announcing the Naval Commands, states:

"In the Atlantic area Axis submarines continue to operate over a wide area of the Atlantic ocean including the coastal waters of the United States. Their attacks on Allied merchant shipping are being combated vigorously with increasing success by our forces."—Reuter.

New Naval Commands

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.

New United States Naval Commands are announced by the Naval Department to become effective immediately.

Admiral Hart is named as Commander of the Combined Naval Forces in the Abda Area. Combined Naval Forces on the Australian and New Zealand area are established with Vice-Admiral Herbert F. Leary Commanding with the title of Commander of Anzac Forces.

The forces formerly called the Asiatic Fleet are now called the United States Naval Forces in the South-West Pacific, with Vice-Admiral William A. Glassford Junior in Command.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT'S SON OPERATED UPON

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.

Franklin Roosevelt (junior) the President's son has been operated upon for appendicitis at the Brooklyn Naval Hospital. His condition is good. He had been on Naval patrol duty.

Franklin Roosevelt (junior) is in a naval hospital under observation for an undisclosed illness. It was earlier announced that he was operated upon for appendicitis but naval officials say that an operation has not yet been performed according to doctor's reports.—Reuter.

AIR BATTLES OVER NORTH SEA

LONDON, Feb. 8.

An Air Ministry Communique issued late on Saturday night says: "Aircraft of Bomber Command carried out an offensive patrol over the North Sea. There were many combats with enemy fighters, a number of which were destroyed. Three of our aircraft are missing."—Reuter.

Br. Post Office Damaged

Arabs And Spaniards Demonstrate Against Concerns

TANGIER, Feb. 8.

Following the bomb explosion on the Tangier Quay on Friday at about 8/00 a. m. Tangier local time yesterday, Arabs and Spaniards demonstrated mainly against English business concerns. A British post office was damaged. Houses were also attacked and a number of windows broken. The situation is now quiet.

AXIS-INSPIRED

LONDON: Reports of rioting in Tangier show clearly that it was organised and Axis-inspired, Reuter learns. The actual rioters consisted exclusively of local riff-raff, who broke a number of windows and caused considerable damage to a British post office and other buildings. They also overturned two cars belonging to British officials. The local police at first did little to restrain the demonstrators, but after energetic protests by the British Consul-General in Tangier with the Spanish occupying authority, military protection was at once promised. There were no casualties on either side in the rioting—Reuter.

BRITAIN RATIONS SOAP

LONDON, Feb. 8.

Soap, soap-flakes and soap-powders for domestic use are rationed from to-morrow. The sole exemptions will be shaving soap, abrasive soaps, liquid soaps and shampoo powders.

Rationing scheme is expected to reduce domestic soap supplies by 80 per cent, while leaving industrial requirements almost untouched.—Reuter.

Death Sentences For 14 Belgians

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Fourteen more Belgians have been sentenced to death by Nazi courts in Belgium, according to the "Inbel" Independent Belgium Agency.—Reuter.

Interned In Tipperah

CALCUTTA, Feb. 8.

Maulvi Abdul Malak, President of the Tipperah District Krishak Samity, was served to-day with an order under the Defence of India Rules, directing him to leave the city of Calcutta immediately and to remain within the district of Tipperah.—A. P.

Judgment In Ilkal "Looting" Case

HUBLI, February 7.

Judgment in the 'looting' case of Ilkal was delivered yesterday by the Bijapur Additional Sessions Judge, convicting 12 accused to six months' imprisonment and acquitting the remaining 18.

It will be recalled that hundreds of unemployed weavers of Ilkal in Bijapur District were alleged to have looted in last June three shops and 147 persons were arrested and prosecuted. Of them the cases against 1 accused were withdrawn three months ago.—A. P.

HYDERABAD (Dn.).—The possibility of suspending daily services in favour of bi-weekly or tri-weekly services in the H.E.H. the Niazm's State Railways was hinted by Mr. J. N. Nanda, General Manager, addressing the 48th meeting of the Local Advisory Committee of the State Railway.

Out-Amerying Amery Himself!

Satyamurthi's Retort To Devonshire

"The Duke May Bark But The Caravan Of Indian Freedom Will Pass On"

MADRAS, Feb. 8.

"The Duke of Devonshire is out-Amerying Amery himself. If they must deny freedom to India while professing to fight for the freedom of all nations, may they not at least try and keep a civil tongue in their mouths?", observed Mr. S. Satyamurthi, M.L.A. (Central), in an interview to the 'United Press' on the speech of the Duke of Devonshire in the Lords debate on India.

"The Duke's ignorance," continued Mr. Satyamurthi, "is so colossal that I forgive him. If he knew better he was casting an insult on India and on the Hindus and Muslims here when he said that to compel the Muslim minority to accept the Hindu majority rule would be like compelling Greece, a minority nation, to accept the tyranny of Germany, a majority nation. Hindus are not the majority in every province. Muslims are a majority in four provinces. Neither the Hindus nor the Muslims want to conquer and rule the other as Germany has done in respect of Greece. Hindus and Muslims belong to one race, speak the same language in many provinces and their customs and habits except in the religious sphere are more or less common. And if there is any fear of communal majority rule, the fault is that of the British Government which has imposed the undemocratic separate communal electorate on us. Again, the Duke of Devonshire is content that India is pulling her full weight in this war and that nothing more can or need be done. No one is so blind as he who will not see. Even the happenings in the Far East do not seem to arouse these people.

"Mr. Winston Churchill," concluded Mr. Satyamurthi, "makes love to Australia and New Zealand. They have only to ask and it shall be given. Mr. Churchill has nothing to say to India. A minor Deputy of his lectures to us. To repeat the words of Sir Samuel Hoare in more polite language, 'the Duke may bark but the caravan of Indian freedom will pass on.' World events are moving in that direction."—United Press.

Satyamurthi On Defence Of India

MADRAS, Feb. 8.

Any Indian whatever his politics or religion, would to-day say that the paramount need of the hour was the defence of India and to save her from attacks by sea, land or water, declared Mr. S. Satyamurthi, M.L.A., (Central), speaking at the Vaishya Association, Madras on the "need of the hour".

The sublime needs of the hour, said Mr Satyamurthi was that the people of the country should be trained to defend their hearths and homes.

He was glad that Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and other friends were straining every nerve to make Britain realise her folly and concede the substance of India's demand. He hoped non-Congress leaders in Madras and in all parts of India would play a similar part —A. P.

M.L.A. PLEADS "NOT GUILTY"

Two Congressmen Jailed Under Defence Rules

CUTTACK, Feb. 7.

Charges under Rule 38 (5) of the Defence of India Rules were framed against Mr. Nabakrishna Chaudhury, M. L. A., who pleaded not guilty. February 11 has been fixed for cross-examination

The case against Pandit Prankrishna Padhiary, former President of the Utkal Provincial Congress Committee, was also postponed till February 17.

Mr Lokanath Misra, pleader and two other Congressmen were sentenced to nine months' rigorous imprisonment yesterday under the Defence of India Rules.—United Press.

NAZIS FORCED TO RETREAT

Russians Capture Enemy's Strong Point And Retakes Six Inhabited Localities

MOSCOW, Feb. 8.

A broadcast from the Western Front states that during the last 24 hours Soviet troops fought fierce engagements and compelled the Germans to retreat. A sudden attack was carried out on a German strong point which was captured. Two hundred Germans were killed. Our cavalry units, in spite of stiff resistance, dislodged the Germans from six inhabited localities. The Germans threw in thier reserves but were, however, compelled to retreat.

Soviet air units divebombed the retreating Germans. A hundred lorries were put out of commission.

STUBBORN BATTLES.

The Soviet night communique states: "During February 7th our troops fought stubborn battles and occupied several inhabited localities. On some sectors of the front the German Fascist troops passed counter-attacks which were repulsed. During February 6th 21 German planes were destroyed. Our losses were seven planes. During February 5th, 46 German planes were destroyed, and not thirty-four as previously reported."—

GERMAN CLAIM

BERLIN: — To-day's German 'communique' states: "In the East heavy defensive battles are continuing. Several enemy fighting units were annihilated in a counter-attack. One hundred and seventeen planes were shot down in air battles and eighteen by anti-aircraft artillery. The remainder was destroyed on the ground. During the same period thirteen of our planes were lost on the Eastern Front.—Reuter.

MEHTAB REMANDED TO JAIL CUSTODY

Consideration Of Bail Petition Postponed

CUTTACK, Feb. 7.

Mr. Harekrishna Mehtab, former member of the Congress Working Committee, who was arrested this morning under the Defence of India Rules, was produced in the Court and remanded to jail custody till February 10.

Consideration of his bail petition has also been postponed till then. —United Press.

Jinnah's Calcutta Programme

CALCUTTA, Feb. 8.

Elaborate arrangements are being made here by the Provincial Muslim League to accord a grand reception to the League President, Mr. M. A. Jinnah on his arrival here on February 12 'en route' to Serajgunj to attend the Provincial Muslim League.

According to the programme drawn up by the Reception Committee, Mr. Jinnah on his arrival at Howrah Station, will be received by the Chairman and Members of the Reception Committee, and will be then taken through some of principal thoroughfares in procession to Mahommed Ali Park where he will hoist the League Flag and address a public meeting. About half a dozen arches are being raised along the route of the procession.—A.P.

DEHRA DUN.—Mr. M. N. Roy accompanied by Mrs. Ellen Roy arrived here on Saturday morning.

THE COAT OF ARMS

Inspector Wade

By Edgar Wallace

NOW TAKE IT EASY, MISS BELDON...YOU CAME WITHIN A HAIR'S BREADTH OF BEING POISONED.
I'M ALL RIGHT NOW....
AT THE THEATER I HAD MY USUAL CUP OF COFFEE AFTER THE SHOW. I-I KNEW SOMEONE WAS TRYING TO KILL ME....
WHEN I REALIZED THE COFFEE TASTED ODD, I-I WAS TERROR-STRICKEN. I RUSHED OUT AND CAME OVER HERE AS FAST AS I COULD.
WHO DID IT?
THAT'S JUST IT---- I DON'T KNOW!
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